

## **KNTV/NBC Bay Area**

### **Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Second Quarter April – June 2012 April 2012**

**KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affairs programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.**

#### **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/4/12 REPORTED...** THE MOOD IS, AS YOU'D IMAGINE, PRETTY DOWNBEAT HERE AT HEADQUARTERS NOT ONLY WERE TWO THOUSAND LAYOFFS JUST ANNOUNCED BUT THE NEWS COMES WITH A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY ..FOR ONE THING, WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE LAYOFFS WILL TAKE PLACE, AND HOW MANY WILL COME FROM HERE IN THE BAY AREA ..BUT ALSO, NO SPECIFIC TIMETABLE YET FOR THE JOB CUTS SO LOTS OF YAHOO EMPLOYEES ARE UNSURE ABOUT THE STATUS OF THEIR JOBS. ON TOP OF THAT, A FEELING THAT THIS MAY NOT BE THE LAST LAYOFF WE SEE HERE, AS NEW YAHOO CEO SCOTT THOMPSON PROMISES TOP TO BOTTOM CHANGES AT THE COMPANY, WHICH HAS LONG STRUGGLED UNDER THE WEIGHT OF COMPETITION FROM COMPANIES LIKE GOOGLE AND FACEBOOK ..IF THERE'S ANY GOOD NEWS TO COME FROM THIS ..THE JOB SEARCH MAY NOT BE TOO LONG FOR LAYED OFF YAHOO EMPLOYEES ..LOTS OF TECH COMPANIES ARE HIRING THESE DAYS .. AND WHILE YAHOO AS A BUSINESS IS CLEARLY NOT FIRING ON ALL CYLINDERS ..IT STILL HAS A LOT OF GOOD PEOPLE WORKING THERE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/5/12 REPORTED...** WE ALSO GOT NEWS TODAY THAT JOBLESS CLAIMS ARE DOWN .. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE FILING FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FELL TO THE LOWEST LEVEL WE'VE SEEN SINCE 2008 ..CASE IN POINT .. YAHOO ANNOUNCED LAYOFFS .. AND IMMEDIATELY, SEVERAL SILICON VALLEY TECH COMPANIES REACH OUT WITH NEW JOB POSTINGS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/6/12 REPORTED...** AT FIRST GLANCE- THE MARCH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE...OUT TODAY .. LOOKS GOOD: 8.2 PERCENT. BETTER THAN 8.3 THREE MONTHS AGO. BUT IT'S A MIXED BAG. ANALYSTS SAY MORE AMERICANS GAVE UP LOOKING FOR WORK AND WEREN'T COUNTED AND THAT'S WHY THE JOBLESS RATE IMPROVED A TICK. ALSO- WHILE RETAIL SALES WERE UP- RETAILERS HIRED FEWER WORKERS. THIS HAS BEEN THE BEST FOUR-MONTH PERIOD IN YEARS, BUT SOME WORRY THE TREND IS TURNING NEGATIVE.THERE WERE 120 THOUSAND NEW JOBS- FAR FEWER THAN THE 200 THOUSAND IN FEBRUARY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** IT COULD, PERHAPS, LEARN SOMETHING FROM THIS COMPANY SEPHORA. THE MAKEUP GIANT HAS LOTS OF BRICK AND MORTAR STORES BUT LAST YEAR SAW ITS ONLINE SALES JUMP 300 PERCENT. IT EXPECTS ANOTHER 100 PERCENT MOVE THIS YEAR. SEPHORA BRINGING MOBILE DEVICES LIKE IPADS INTO ITS STORES ENCOURAGING SHOPPERS TO BROWSE DIGITALLY, AND SOCIALLY, WHILE THEY SHOP. SOMETIMES, INSTEAD OF TRYING TO BEAT 'EM THE BEST STRATEGY IS TO JOIN 'EM. IT ALSO DOESN'T HURT TO HAVE 3 MILLION FACEBOOK FANS, 400 THOUSAND TWITTER FOLLOWERS, AND A BIG PINTEREST FOLLOWING ..

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** A MAJOR U-S COMPANY... HIT HARD FOR A POSSIBLE COVER UP -- RELATING TO A DRUG FOR AUTISTIC CHILDREN. JOHNSON AND JOHNSON WAS FINED MORE THAN 1-POINT-2-BILLION DOLLARS -- FOR MINIMIZING THE DANGERS OF AN ANTI-PSYCHOTIC DRUG. THE COMPANY ALLEGEDLY HID THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH A DRUG USED TO TREAT SCHIZOPHRENIA, BIPOLAR DISORDER AND BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS IN AUTISTIC CHILDREN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** BIG CHANGES COULD SOON BE ON THE WAY FOR LOCAL BAR OWNERS IN WALNUT CREEK...TONIGHT, THE CITY'S PLANNING COMMISSION IS SET TO CONSIDER A CONTROVERSIAL PROPOSAL THAT WOULD GIVE WALNUT CREEK MORE CONTROL OVER BARS AND RESTAURANTS THAT SERVE ALCOHOL. CITY LEADERS BEGAN DISCUSSING THE POTENTIAL ALCOHOL ORDINANCE AFTER SEEING AN INCREASE IN VIOLENCE AT A NUMBER OF BARS THERE THIS YEAR. BUT MANY BAR OWNERS AND EVEN SOME PATRONS SAY THE NEW LAW WILL PLACE UNECESSARY BURDENS ON LOCAL BUSINESSES. THE MEETING STARTS TONIGHT AT SEVEN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** THOUSANDS OF SUMMER JOBS WILL BE UP FOR GRABS THIS YEAR IN SAN FRANCISCO BECAUSE OF A BRAND NEW PROGRAM DESIGNED TO PUT YOUNG PEOPLE TO WORK. IT'S CALLED "SAN FRANCISCO SUMMER JOBS PLUS." MAYOR ED LEE ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE INITIATIVE WILL CREATE FIVE-THOUSAND JOBS AND PAID INTERNSHIPS FOR AT-RISK, LOW INCOME AND DISCONNECTED YOUTH THIS SUMMER. CONGRESSWOMAN NANCY PELOSI SAYS THIS PROGRAM IS STEPPING UP TO PRESIDENT OBAMA'S CHALLENGE FOR CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO COME TOGETHER TO CREATE 250-THOUSAND SUMMER JOBS FOR PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 24. TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED OF THE JOBS ARE COMING FROM THE CITY GOVERNMENT. NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, CORPORATIONS AND SMALL BUSINESSES AND HAVE SIGNED ON TO PROVIDE THE REST.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** A LONG-AWAITED DECISION TONIGHT IN THE NINE-YEAR OLD LAWSUIT FILED BY SOME CHIL'S EMPLOYEES -- COMPLAINING THEY HAD TO WORK THROUGH THEIR LUNCH BREAKS. TONIGHT THE STATE SUPREME COURT AGREES WITH THEIR BOSSES.TODAY'S UNANIMOUS DECISION POTENTIALLY AFFECTS THOUSANDS OF BUSINESSES AND MILLIONS OF WORKERS. EMPLOYEES CLAIMED THEY COULDN'T LEAVE CO-WORKERS SHORT-HANDED, SO THEY'D WORK THROUGH THEIR LUNCHES, BUT THE COURT DETERMINED EMPLOYERS ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO **ENSURE** WORKERS TAKE LUNCH BREAKS. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SAYS THE DECISION BRINGS CLARITY AND CERTAINTY OVER THE WORKPLACE ISSUES OF MEAL AND REST BREAKS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** MENLO PARK -- SCORING BIG -- THANKS TO IT NEW TENANT. AFTER MORE THAN 10-WEEKS OF NEGOTIATIONS -- FACEBOOK'S DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY -- IS NOW PUBLIC. THE AGREEMENT OUTLINES WHAT FACEBOOK WILL HAVE TO DO IN EXCHANGE FOR BEING ALLOWED TO MOVE TO MENLO PARK. AS PART OF THE AGREEMENT... FACEBOOK WILL MAKE ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF NEARLY A MILLION DOLLARS TO MENLO PARK. OTHER CONDITIONS RANGE FROM CREATING A HIGH SCHOOL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM TO ADOPTING A HIGHWAY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** WHAT STARTED AS A CLASS PROJECT BY SAN JOSE STATE STUDENTS, IS NOW ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. THE BALLOT MEASURE WOULD RAISE THE MINIMUM WAGE IN SAN JOSE FROM 8- DOLLARS AN HOUR TO 10- AN HOUR. THE CITY CLERK VERIFIED THE NEARLY 20- THOUSAND SIGNATURES GATHERED BY SOCIOLOGY STUDENTS TO SUPPORT THE MEASURE. THE SAN JOSE CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS THE MEASURE AT THE NEXT MEETING ON MAY FIRST, WHERE THEY COULD EITHER PASS IT DIRECTLY INTO LAW, OR SET IT FOR NOVEMBER ELECTIONS.

### **CONSUMER ISSUES**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** 75 YEARS OF HISTORY IS COMING TO AN END. UNITED AIRLINES IS DEPARTING OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - FOR GOOD. IT'S LAST DAY OF OPERATIONS WILL BE JUNE 4TH. UNITED SERVES LESS THAN 2 PERCENT OF THE AIRPORT'S PASSENGERS - WITH 11 WEEKLY FLIGHTS TO DENVER. A UNITED SPOKESWOMAN SAYS THAT'S NOT ENOUGH TO MAINTAIN SERVICE THERE. TRAVELERS BOOKED ON FLIGHTS BETWEEN OAKLAND AND DENVER WILL BE OFFERED OTHER UNITED FLIGHTS - OR A REFUND.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** PRICES ON E-BOOKS COULD SOON BE DROPPING -- AFTER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HIT APPLE, AND 5 OF THE NATIONS 6 LARGEST PUBLISHERS, WITH AN ANTI-TRUST LAWSUIT TODAY. IT CHARGES THE GROUP CONSPIRED TO RAISE PRICES IN A BID TO STOP AMAZON'S DOMINANCE ON E-BOOK SALES FOR IT'S POPULAR "KINDLE READER". ACCORDING TO THE LAWSUIT -- PUBLISHERS TEAMED UP WITH APPLE TO RESTRAIN RETAIL PRICE COMPETITION. AS A RESULT -- MILLIONS OF E-BOOKS THAT WOULD HAVE SOLD AT RETAIL FOR ABOUT 9-99 ENDED UP COSTING 3 TO 5 DOLLARS MORE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** THE CAR DEALERS ARE NOT HAPPY OVER NEW FUEL STANDARDS PROPOSED BY THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION. THE NATIONAL AUTO DEALERS ASSOCIATION -- SAYS CONSUMERS WILL LOSE OUT. A NEW STUDY DONE BY THE GROUP SHOWS MANUFACTURING CARS WITH AN AVERAGE OF 54.5 MILES PER GALLON COULD BOOST CAR PRICES ALMOST \$3,000 DOLLARS. THE DEALERS SAY THE CHEAPEST NEW CAR WILL COST ALMOST \$16,000. ...MAKING CARS UNAFFORDABLE TO 4.2 MILLION POTENTIAL BUYERS. BUT ENVIRONMENTALISTS SAY THE LONG TERM AVERAGE SAVINGS OF THE NEW CARS TOTALS ABOUT \$8,000 OVER THE LIFE OF THE VEHICLE. THE NEW FUEL RULES HAVE NOT BEEN FINALIZED BY THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/17/12 REPORTED...** IN THE EAST BAY -- HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN, PARENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND NURSES GATHERED AT KAISER PERMANENTE IN HAYWARD TODAY -- TO PROTEST THE CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL'S \*INPATIENT PEDIATRICS UNIT\*. THE UNIT PROVIDED TREATMENT TO MORE THAN 2-THOUSAND CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS LAST YEAR ALONE. BUT KAISER IS PLANNING TO CLOSE IT -- AND MOVE ITS SERVICES TO THE \*OAKLAND HOSPITAL PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY CENTER\* IN 20-14. PROTESTERS SAY CLOSING THE HAYWARD UNIT -- WOULD FORCE EAST BAY FAMILIES WITH KIDS WHO NEED TO BE HOSPITALIZED -- TO DRIVE TO OAKLAND, SANTA CLARA OR EVEN ROSEVILLE FOR CARE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/25/12 REPORTED...** BIG CHANGES FOR THE NATION'S SECOND LARGEST FAST FOOD CHAIN. BURGER KING SAYS THAT ALL OF IT'S PORK AND EGGS WILL COME FROM CAGE-FREE CHICKEN AND PIGS WITHIN THE NEXT 5-YEARS. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MARKS A SHIFT TOWARDS MORE HUMANE TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK BY MAJOR FAST FOOD RETAILERS. EARLIER THIS YEAR, MCDONALDS AND WENDY'S ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THEY HAVE ASKED THEIR PORK SUPPLIERS TO GO CAGE-FREE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/25/12 REPORTED...** THE GOLD HAS LEFT A TRAIL OF ELDERLY VICTIMS. THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS WARNING SENIORS TO BEWARE THE MAN SELLING FAKE GOLD BARS. ONE SCAMMER WAS CAUGHT ON SURVEILLANCE TAPE...TAKE A GOOD LOOK AS HE APPROACHES PEOPLE, MOSTLY ELDERLY, AND TELLS THEM HE HAS A SICK RELATIVE AND NEEDS MONEY TO HELP WITH MEDICAL EXPENSES. HE TELLS THEM HAS GOLD BARS TO SELL, THEN TAKES THEM WOULD BE VICTIM TO THEIR BANK TO WITHDRAW THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE GOLD. COPS SAY THE SCAMS ARE HAPPENING THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA AND IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ANYONE WITH INFORMATION IS ASKED TO CALL THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/26/12 REPORTED...** DON'T WANT A SMARTMETER? PG & E WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU. THE UTILITY IS ASKING CUSTOMERS WHO WISH TO \*OPT-OUT\* OF HAVING A SMARTMETER TO LET THEM KNOW BY NEXT TUESDAY. THE UTILITY SAYS IT WANTS TO GET AN ACCURATE NUMBER OF HOW MANY CUSTOMERS DON'T WANT A SMARTMETER. YOU SHOULD KNOW YOU CAN\* ACTUALLY OPT-OUT OR OPT-IN AT ANY TIME . SINCE THE P-U-C APPROVED THE OPT OUT PLAN IN FEBRUARY NEARLY 20-THOUSAND CUSTOMERS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HAVE OPTED NOT TO HAVE A SMART METER FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS THAT RANGE FROM CONCERNS OVER RADIATION TO THE ACCURACY OF THE NEW METERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/30/12 REPORTED...** SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE YOU SIT DOWN FOR DINNER. RALEY'S'S GROCERY STORE CHAIN IS WARNING CUSTOMERS WHO BOUGHT GROUND BEEF AT ITS ANTIOCH STORE YESTERDAY. THEY SAY AN EMPLOYEE IN THE MEAT DEPARTMENT FOUND FRAGMENTS OF A WRITING PEN IN THE MEAT GRINDER WHILE CLEANING THE MACHINE. ONCE THEY MADE THE DISCOVERY, EMPLOYEES REMOVED ALL THE AFFECTED PRODUCTS.THEY SAY A SMALL AMOUNT OF THE MEAT WAS SOLD-- AND IT MAY HAVE PLASTIC PIECES INSIDE.

### **CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY, ELDERLY, MEN & WOMEN**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** IN HEALTH MATTERS DOCTORS ARE SEEING A DRAMATIC RISE IN THE NUMBER OF YOUNG WOMEN WITH SKIN CANCER. RESEARCHERS AT THE MAYO CLINIC SAY MORE WOMEN IN THEIR 20'S AND 30'S ARE DEVELOPING MELANOMA, THE MOST DANGEROUS FORM OF SKIN CANCER. THE RISK OF DEVELOPING IT IS NOW MORE THAN SIX TIMES HIGHER THAN IT WAS 40- YEARS AGO. BUT, THEY ALSO SAY THE ODDS OF SURVIVING HAVE IMPROVED OVER TIME. EXPERTS SAY SUN TANNING AND TANNING BEDS ARE TO BLAME.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** PROM NIGHT HAS ALWAYS BEEN EXPENSIVE, BUT NOW IT'S GETTING RIDICULOUS. A SURVEY DONE BY VISA FOUND FAMILIES EXPECT TO SPEND OVER ONE- THOUSAND DOLLARS ON THEIR CHILDREN'S PROM THIS YEAR, UP FROM JUST OVER 800- DOLLARS LAST YEAR. THE RISE IN COST CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE ATTIRE, LIMO RIDES, AND GETTING HAIR, MAKEUP, AND NAILS PROFESIONALLY DONE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** INVESTIGATORS IN SAN JOSE ARE LOOKING INTO THE DEATH OF AN 18 MONTH OLD CHILD. IT'S PROCEDURE TO LOOK INTO THE DEATH OF ALL YOUNG CHILDREN. PARAMEDICS WERE CALLED TO A HOME IN EAST SAN JOSE ON MENDOTA WAY, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. THAT'S NEAR REID HILLVIEW AIRPORT. THE CHILD WAS RUSHED TO A LOCAL HOSPITAL -- WHERE THE TODDLER WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD. OFFICERS HAVEN'T RELEASED A CAUSE OF DEATH OR ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE CHILD. THEY SAY THEY ARE WAITING FOR REPORTS FROM THE CORONER'S OFFICE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** 7-11 IS TAKING WHAT IT CALLS AN AGGRESIVE NEW APPROACH TO STOP KIDS FROM PURCHASING ALCOHOL AND CIGARRETTES. 16-HUNDRED 7-11 STORES IN CALIFORNIA WILL DEBUT NEW TECHNOLOGY TO SCAN THE CODE ON THE BACK OF DRIVERS LISCENSES. THE SCAN WILL VERIFY THE CUSTOMER'S BIRTH DATE, AND WILL CHECK THE VALIDITY OF THE I-D. OUT OF ALL ATTEMPTED ILLEGAL PURCHASES BY MINORS, ONLY 5-PERCENT ARE SUCCESSFUL NATIONWIDE. 7-11 REPRESENTATIVES SAY THEY HOPE THE EXTRA PRECAUTION WILL BRING THAT NUMBER DOWN FURTHER. THE NEW TECHNOLOGY WILL HIT CALIFORNIA STORES FIRST, WITH THE REST OF THE COUNTRY SOON TO FOLLOW.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** IF YOU'RE YOUNG ENOUGH...IT COULD BE FREE. KIDS AGED 5-17 COULD RIDE FREE ON MUNI IF A VOTE GOES AS EXPECTED TOMORROW. WHILE SOME FORM OF THE CONTROVERSIAL PROGRAM IS EXPECTED TO BE APPROVED, IT'S STILL UN CLEAR WHETHER IT WILL COVER EVERYONE...OR JUST LOW INCOME KIDS. CHILDREN UNDER 5 ALREADY RIDE FREE. PROPONENTS SAY THE CITY NEEDS TO PROMOTE PUBLIC TRANSIT OVER CARS WITH A NEW GENERATION. OPPONENTS SAY IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE. THE PILOT PROGRAM WOULD LAST 22 MONTHS, AND SAN FRANCISCO'S REGIONAL TRANSIT PARTNERS WILL HAVE TO SIGN OFF ON THE FUNDING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/20/12 REPORTED...** LIFE IS GOOD IN MARIN-- AND LIFE IS ALSO LONGER IN MARIN. 81.6 YEARS -- IS THE AVERAGE LIFE-SPAN OF MEN IN MARIN COUNTY. THAT'S HIGHER THAN ANY OTHER COUNTY IN THE U-S. THE STUDY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON FOUND THAT WOMEN'S LIFE EXPECTANCY IS 85-POINT-ONE YEARS... THE SECOND HIGHEST RATE IN THE NATION. THE MARIN I-J SAYS THE RESEARCH REVEALED THE BIGGEST FACTORS IN THOSE LONGER LIVES WASN'T PROSPERITY-- BUT PREVENTABLE CAUSES OF DEATH. IN OTHER WORDS, MARIN RESIDENTS ARE LESS LIKELY TO SMOKE AND BE OBESE. THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO EXERCISE AND EAT HEALTHY FOODS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** CRISIS INSPIRES CHANGE. RESPONDING TO PRESSURE FROM PARENTS AFTER THE DISAPPEARANCE OF SIERRA LAMAR, THE MORGAN HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS NOW NOTIFYING PARENTS TWICE A DAY, IF THEIR CHILDREN DON'T SHOW UP TO SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL IS ALSO WORKING ON WAYS TO TEXT MESSAGE OR EMAIL PARENTS. THE CHANGE COMES AFTER 15-YEAR OLD SIERRA LAMAR DISAPPEARED ON HER WAY TO SCHOOL ON MARCH 16TH. THE SCHOOL DID NOT CALL HER MOTHER UNTIL THAT EVENING. THE NEW POLICY IS TO CALL PARENTS BY 10-30 IN THE MORNING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A LITTLE STAR POWER TO HELP BRING ATTENTION TO STATE ISSUES. IN SACRAMENTO TODAY, THAT STAR WAS IN 'A LEAGUE OF HER OWN ...' ACTRESS GEENA DAVIS CAME TO THE STATE CAPITOL TO HELP ANNOUNCE PLANS TO RE-ESTABLISH FUNDING FOR CALIFORNIA'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN. THE COMMISSION FOCUES ON ISSUES FACING WOMEN AND WORKS TO FIND PUBLIC POLICY SOLUTIONS. DAVIS ANNOUNCED TODAY SHE WILL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S NEW CHAIR. LAST YEAR, GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN CUT FUNDING TO THE COMMISSION. BUT NOW - THE STATE SAYS IT WILL CONTRIBUTE 150-THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE COMMISSION - ENOUGH MONEY TO KEEP IT GOING FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/26/12 REPORTED...** WOMEN IN THE BAY AREA HAVE IT GOOD. HEALTH, MONEY, AND EDUCATION. A STUDY PUBLISHED BY "MEASURE OF AMERICA" FINDS THAT BAY AREA WOMEN LIVE LONGER, ARE BETTER EDUCATED, AND EARN MORE MONEY THAN WOMEN IN MANY OTHER CITIES. BAY AREA WOMEN LIVE MORE THAN 84 YEARS ON AVERAGE...THE HIGHEST LIFE EXPECTANCY NATION WIDE. THEY'RE ALSO THIRD IN TERMS OF FEMALE EDUCATION...WITH 43-PERCENT OF WOMEN HAVING AT LEAST A BACHELORS DEGREES. BAY AREA WOMEN RANKED SECOND IN INCOME, WITH A MEDIAN SALARY OF 35-THOUSAND DOLLARS.

### **CRIMES-FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL, LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** A WITNESS CAPTURED THE SOUNDS OF GUNFIRE ON HIS CELL PHONE AT ABOUT 10:30 THIS MORNING AND MINUTES LATER, A STUDENT CAME RUNNING OUT OF OIKOS UNIVERSITY IN OAKLAND. THE INJURED WOMAN TOLD WITNESSES A CLASSMATE OPENED FIRE IN HER NURSING CLASS SPRAYING THE CLASSROOM WITH GUNFIRE. ANGIE RICHARDSON WAS OUTSIDE AT HER BANK WHEN SHE HEARD THE GUNSHOTS AND SAW THE WOMAN RUNNING DOWN THE STREET. SOME OF THE VICTIMS CAME OUT ON GURNEYS AND WERE RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. OTHERS CAME OUT IN BODY BAGS. THE SWAT TEAM MOVED IN, SURROUNDING THE SCHOOL THINKING THE GUNMAN WAS STILL INSIDE. BUT EVENTUALLY, POLICE DETERMINED THE GUNMAN WAS NOT INSIDE THE BUILDING AND AFTER AN HOUR-LONG MANHUNT DETAINED A SUSPECT ABOUT A FEW MILES FROM THE SCENE. OFFICERS SPENT HOURS SEARCHING THE SCHOOL AND RESCUING STUDENTS WHO HAD TAKEN COVER INSIDE. POLICE HAVE NOT REVEALED A MOTIVE FOR THE MASS SHOOTING... BUT THE INJURED WOMAN FROM THE CELL PHONE VIDEO TOLD WITNESSES THE GUNMAN WAS AN OUTCAST IN THE CLASS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/5/12 REPORTED...** THE MAN ACCUSED OF KILLING 5 PEOPLE AT A HOME IN SAN FRANCISCO NEARLY TWO WEEKS AGO IS LIKELY STAYING IN JAIL ...HIS BAIL SET AT 25 MILLION DOLLARS. "BINH THAI LUC" [[LUCK]] PLEADED NOT GUILTY AT HIS ARRAIGNMENT TODAY. LUCK IS ACCUSED OF KILLING THREE WOMEN AND TWO MEN AT A HOME ON HOWTH STREET BACK ON , MARCH 23RD. HE WAS ARRESTED TWO DAYS LATER AND CHARGED WITH FIVE COUNTS OF MURDER WITH SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. TODAY IN COURT, LUCK REPEATEDLY SHOOK HIS HEAD "NO" AS THE JUDGE READ EACH CHARGE AGAINST HIM. HE WILL RETURN TO COURT NEXT MONTH TO SET A PRELIMINARY HEARING DATE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THE CONTROVERSIAL SHOOTING OF FLORIDA TEENAGER TREYVON MARTIN. FIRST-DEGREE MURDER IS OFF THE TABLE. TODAY IN FLORIDA, THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR, WHO'S DECIDING WHETHER TO FILE CHARGES IN THE CASE, SAID SHE'S \*NOT\* GOING TO TAKE IT TO A GRAND JURY. THAT'S A STEP THAT WOULD ONLY BE REQUIRED IN A FIRST-DEGREE MURDER CASE. THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AS PROTESTERS MARCHED TO THE SANFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT -- AT ONE POINT -- BLOCKING THE FRONT DOORS. THEY'RE CALLING FOR JUSTICE FOR MARTIN AND HIS FAMILY. IT HAS BEEN 45 DAYS SINCE GEORGE ZIMMERMAN -- A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH VOLUNTEER -- SAYS HE SHOT THE UNARMED TEEN, IN SELF-DEFENSE. ZIMMERMAN COULD STILL BE CHARGED WITH A SERIOUS FELONY -- SUCH AS MANSLAUGHTER -- WHICH CAN CARRY A LENGTHY PRISON SENTENCE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** INVESTIGATORS IN OKLAHOMA ARE PROMISING TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER A DEADLY SHOOTING RAMPAGE WAS RACIALLY MOTIVATED. 32-YEAR OLD "ALVIN WATTS" AND 19-YEAR OLD "JACOB ENGLAND" WENT BEFORE A JUDGE TODAY. OFFICERS SAY THE TWO WHITE MEN WENT ON A SHOOTING SPREE FRIDAY- KILLING THREE BLACK MEN AND INJURING TWO OTHERS. FACEBOOK POSTS ALLEGEDLY MADE BY ENGLAND JUST HOURS BEFORE THE RAMPAGE -- REFER TO THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF HIS FATHERS' MURDER IN TULSA. ENGLAND BLAMED A BLACK MAN FOR THE KILLING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** A DISGRACED UKRANIAN LEADER OWES ONE BAY AREA COUNTY ONE BIG CHECK... AND IT'S ABOUT TO GET BIGGER. FORMER UKRANIAN PRIME MINISTER PAVLO LAZARENKO IS BEHIND BARS FOR MONEY LAUNDERING, TRANSPORTING STOLEN GOODS AND FRAUD. HE OWES MARIN COUNTY MORE THAN 2 MILLION DOLLARS IN BACK TAXES FOR HIS 11- ACRE MANSION IN NOVATO. THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR SAYS THEY'LL LIKELY ADD ANOTHER 10-PERCENT PENALTY TO THAT TOMORROW IF HE MISSES ANOTHER DEADLINE. LAZARENKO IS RANKED AMONG SOME OF THE MOST CORRUPT POLITICAL LEADERS IN HISTORY. HE POCKETED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FROM THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY IN THE LATE 1990'S.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** A HAYWARD MAN WAS SENTENCED TODAY TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL ... FOR A HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT THAT SERIOUSLY INJURED A 9 YEAR OLD BOY, WHO HAD JUST FINISHED WATCHING A BASEBALL GAME AT AT&T PARK WITH HIS FAMILY. ANDREW VARGAS MADE A PLEA DEAL, ADMITTING HE WAS BEHIND THE WHEEL OF THE TRUCK THAT HIT RYAN WHITE LAST AUGUST. THE BOY WAS VISITING FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO WATCH A GIANTS/PHILLIES GAME. TESTS SHOWED ... VARGAS WAS DRUNK. HE WAS ALSO SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS OF PROBATION, NINE MONTHS OF D-U-I CLASSES, AND 100 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE...SPEAKING TO YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT THE ACCIDENT. IN COURT ...VARGAS EXPRESSED REMORSE TO WHITE'S FAMILY...WHO COULDN'T ATTEND THE SENTENCING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** BUSTING BULLIES - - ONLINE. TODAY, STATE LAWMAKERS PASSED A BILL, TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR SCHOOLS TO PUNISH STUDENTS, HARASSING OTHERS ON SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES. ASSEMBLYWOMAN NORA CAMPOS OF SAN JOSE IS THE AUTHOR OF THE BILL. SHE SUCCESSFULLY SPONSORED A SIMILAR BILL, LAST YEAR, BUT IT'S ALREADY A BIT OUTDATED. THE GOAL OF THIS LEGISLATION -- TO KEEP UP WITH EVOLVING TRENDS IN ONLINE BULLYING. IF IT'S SIGNED INTO LAW -- SCHOOLS COULD SUSPEND OR EXPEL STUDENTS WHO SET UP SO CALLED BURN PAGES ...WEB PAGES THAT ATTACK CLASSMATES -- OR FAKE ONLINE PROFILES THAT IMPERSONATE KIDS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/18/12 REPORTED...** A TEENAGE PRANK -- W/ SOME ADULT CONSEQUENCES. DOZENS OF BERKELEY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE IN TROUBLE TONIGHT FOR MANIPULATING THEIR ATTENDANCE RECORDS. 50 STUDENTS ARE SUSPENDED AND UP TO THREE OF THEM COULD BE EXPELLED AFTER THEY ALLEGEDLY GAINED ACCESS TO THE ATTENDANCE DATA BASE. IN MANY CASES THE PASSWORD WAS SOLD. CALIFORNIA LAW REQUIRES STUDENTS WITH THREE OR MORE UNEXCUSED ABSENCES TO GO BEFORE A REVIEW PROCESS WITH THEIR PARENTS AND SCHOOL LEADERS. THE SCHOOL HIRED A DEAN OF ATTENDANCE LAST YEAR- WHO HELPED CATCH THE SCAM.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** A NATIONWIDE ECSTASY DRUG RING IS CENTERED HERE IN THE BAY AREA. TODAY, MANY RAP ARTISTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RECORD LABEL 'THIZZ ENTERTAINMENT' ARE AMONG 25 PEOPLE CHARGED IN THE RING. FEDERAL AUTHORITIES SEIZED 45-THOUSAND ECSTASY PILLS, FOUR POUNDS OF CRACK COCAINE, A HALF POUND OF HEROIN, THOUSANDS IN CASH AND 230 ACRES OF PROPERTY.THE SUSPECTS ARE FROM CITIES THAT INCLUDE: VALLEJO, STOCKTON, OAKLAND -- ALL THE WAY TO NEW YORK AND OKLAHOMA CITY.

## **DIVERSITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** NEARLY 24 HOURS AFTER TAKING OVER AN ABANDONED SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING POLICE ARRESTED DOZENS OF OCCUPY PROTESTERS TODAY. S-F-P-D ESTIMATES THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ARRESTS WILL BE BETWEEN 70 AND 80 PEOPLE. PROTESTERS MARCHED INTO THE VACANT BUILDING DURING AN OCCUPY RALLY YESTERDAY AND REFUSED TO LEAVE. THE ARCHDIOCESE OWNS THE PROPERTY AND SIGNED A TRESPASSING COMPLAINT TODAY...AUTHORIZING THE POLICE TO ENTER THE BUILDING. SFPD SAYS THE ARRESTS WERE CARRIED OUT SAFELY. ONE MAN JUMPED OUT OF A SECOND-FLOOR WINDOW TO EVADE ARREST BUT WAS NOT INJURED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** MORE THAN 3-THOUSAND IMMIGRANTS ARE IN FEDERAL CUSTODY FOLLOWING A MASSIVE 50-STATE IMMIGRATION SWEEP. DOZENS OF PEOPLE HAD BEEN LIVING, RIGHT HERE, IN THE BAY AREA. THE 6-DAY SWEEP LAST WEEK WAS CALLED "OPERATION CROSS CHECK." 37 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY... 18 IN ALAMEDA COUNTY... 16 IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. THE ARRESTS INCLUDE BOTH LEGAL AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WHO EITHER HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD OR IGNORED DEPORTATION ORDERS. TODAY, THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS SAID THOSE WHO FALL UNDER THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION KNOWN AS 'THE DREAM ACT' ARE SAFE. CLOSE TO 90-PERCENT OF THOSE ARRESTED NATIONWIDE HAD CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS... ABOUT HALF HAD FELONY CONVICTIONS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** CHALLENGE REJECTED. TODAY A FEDERAL APPEALS COURT UPHELD THE STATE'S BAN ON USING RACE, ETHNICITY AND GENDER IN COLLEGE ADMISSIONS. THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS RULED THAT PROPOSITION 209, DOES NOT VIOLATE STUDENTS' CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. THIS IS JUST THE LATEST IN A LONG LIST OF LEGAL CHALLENGES SEEKING TO OVERTURN SINCE IT WAS PASSED BY VOTERS IN 1996. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKERS CLAIM CAMPUS DIVERSITY HAS SUFFERED SINCE TAKING RACE OUT OF ADMISSIONS CONSIDERATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/4/12 REPORTED...** THE OCCUPY MOVEMENT TOOK IT'S CAUSE TO THE CAPITOL TODAY. PROTESTORS ARE MARCHING AGAINST A FORESTRY PRACTICE CALLED CLEAR-CUTTING, IN WHICH LOGGING COMPANIES CUT DOWN ALL TREES IN A GIVEN AREA.THATS SO THEY CAN SELL THE TIMBER FOR PROFIT OR MAKE ROOM FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT.THE CALIFORNIA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS CLEAR CUTTING AS A WAY TO PREVENT DECAY AND WILDFIRES. BUT ENVIRONMENTALISTS SAY THE ACTION IMPACTS MANY SURROUNDING ECOSYSTEMS.THE CALIFORNIA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION ALSO CLAIMS CLEAR CUTTING KEEPS THE ECONOMY GOING.THAT'S BECAUSE CUTTING DOWN THE STATES OWN TREES REDUCES THE NEED TO HAVE TIMBER IMPORTED FROM OTHER STATES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/5/12 REPORTED...** DENYING BENEFITS TO THE SAME-SEX SPOUSE OF A FEDERAL EMPLOYEE, IS AN ACT OF DISCRIMINATION.THAT'S ACCORDING TO A CHIEF JUDGE IN SAN FRANCISCO WHO HANDED DOWN THE RULING TODAY.CHRISTOPHER NATHAN OF SAN FRANCISCO IS A FEDERAL EMPLOYEE WHO HAD MARRIED HIS PARTNER BEFORE PROP 8 OVERTURNED SAME-SEX UNIONS IN CALFORNIA. NATHAN'S SPOUSE WAS DENIED FEDERAL BENEFITS UNDER THE "DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT." TODAY'S RULING ENTITLES NATHAN AND HIS PARTNER TO COMPENSATION FOR THE COST OF PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE.



**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** FROM SAVING TO BEING SAVED. THE PALO ALTO HUMANE SOCIETY IS LAUNCHING A SOCIAL MEDIA BLITZ TO SAVE ITS ANIMAL SHELTER. THE CITY MAY HAVE TO SHUTDOWN THE SHELTER BECAUSE MOUNTAIN VIEW --ONE OF THE CITIES IT PARTNERS WITH-- WANTS TO PULL OUT --TAKING WITH IT, ALMOST ONE-THIRD OF THE BUDGET. THE HUMANE SOCIETY SAYS IT'S WORRIED MANY LOST PETS WILL GO UNCLAIMED BECAUSE PEOPLE WON'T WANT TO DRIVE TO DISTANT SHELTERS. A FACEBOOK PAGE HAS BEEN SET UP TO CONVINCE PALO ALTO CITY LEADERS TO KEEP THE SHELTER OPEN. WE HAVE A LINK TO IT AT NBC BAY AREA DOT COM. SEARCH PALO ALTO ANIMAL SHELTER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** STRONGER RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AT WORK MAY SOON BE IN CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE. LAWMAKERS INTRODUCED A BILL MAKING IT ILLEGAL FOR EMPLOYERS TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE'S RELIGIOUS ATTIRE AND HAIRSTYLE. THE SIKH AND Muslim COMMUNITIES CLAIM EMPLOYERS REGULARLY SEGREGATE THEM AWAY FROM CUSTOMERS BECAUSE OF THEIR ATTIRE. UNDER THE CURRENT LAW, EMPLOYERS ARE ONLY REQUIRED TO MAKE 'REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS' FOR RELIGIOUS PRACTICES. FEDERAL COURTS HAVE UPHELD THAT LAW, BUT THE BILL WOULD BAN THAT PRACTICE IN CALIFORNIA.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/20/12 REPORTED...** THEY SAY THEY'RE "NOT GOING TO TAKE IT ANYMORE". MEDICAL MARIJUANA ADVOCATES IN OAKLAND MARKED 4/20 WITH A PROTEST -- AT THE CITY'S FEDERAL BUILDING. THEY'RE URGING CHANGES IN THE NATION'S DRUG POLICIES. MANY OF THEM ARE STUDENTS AND PATIENTS OF OAKSTERDAM UNIVERSITY. THE CANNABIS COLLEGE WAS RAIDED BY THE FEDS ON APRIL SECOND. AGENTS SEIZED MARIJUANA PLANTS, COMPUTERS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT. SINCE THE RAID, THE FOUNDER OF OAKSTERDAM UNIVERSITY HAS DECIDED TO STEP DOWN, BUT VOLUNTEERS HAVE STEPPED UP, TO KEEP IT GOING. THE UNIVERSITY SPECIALIZES IN MARIJUANA CULTIVATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/20/12 REPORTED...** THIS FALL -- SAN JOSE STATE WILL CONVERT THE 12TH FLOOR OF ONE OF ITS' DORMS -- INTO A UNITY HOUSE FOR FRESHMAN L-G-B-T STUDENTS. RESIDENT ADVISERS SAW THE NEED AFTER LEARNING ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES OF DORM LIFE FOR GAY AND LESBIAN STUDENTS. MANY L-G-B-T STUDENTS KEEP THEIR ORIENTATION SECRET FOR FEAR OF DISCRIMINATION. THE UNTIY HOUSE COMMUNITY PROMOTES UNDERSTANDING ABOUT SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND HELPS STUDENTS CONNECT WITH CAMPUS RESOURCES. THE GOAL IS TO HELP STUDENTS WITH THEIR EDUCATION AND TO PROMOTE AND UNDERSTAND GENDER IDENTITY DEVELOPMENT AND EXPRESSION. PLACEMENT PRIORITY AT UNITY HOUSE WILL BE GIVEN TO STUDENTS BASED ON THEIR GENDER IDENTITY AND GENDER EXPRESSION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/26/12 REPORTED...** A SOUTH BAY TRADITION COULD BE COMING TO AN END -- UNLESS IT COMES UP WITH MORE CASH. THIS YEAR'S 'GAY PRIDE CELEBRATION' NEEDS TO RAISE 200-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE FESTIVAL AT DISCOVERY MEADOW IN SAN JOSE. THEY'RE ALSO LOOKING FOR A FESTIVAL DIRECTOR AFTER THEIR RECENT DIRECTOR RESIGNED. AND TWO L-G-B-T NONPROFITS WHICH USE THE 'BILLY DEFRANK COMMUNITY CENTER' COULD SOON BE LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME BECAUSE THE BUILDING IS SCHEDULED TO BE SOLD NEXT YEAR.

## **EDUCATION**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** AN OAKLAND CHARTER SCHOOL THAT WAS ONCE NAMED A CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL, MAY BE FORCED TO CLOSE DUE TO ALLEGATIONS OF FRAUD. STATE AUDIT FOUND THE AMERICAN INDIAN CHARTER SCHOOL TWO IN OAKLAND, QUESTIONABLY SPENT MORE THAN ONE MILLION DOLLARS IN PUBLIC FUNDS. TOMORROW, THE OAKLAND UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL VOTE ON A RECOMMENDATION TO CLOSE THE CAMPUS. THE SCHOOL POSTED 990 POINTS OUT OF A POSSIBLE ONE THOUSAND POINTS ON THE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX. IT'S ONE OF THREE OAKLAND CHARTER SCHOOLS FOUNDED BY A MAN NAMED BEN CHAVIS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/5/12 REPORTED...** EDUCATION HEADLINES TONIGHT ....AN OAKLAND CHARTER SCHOOL WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE DESPITE AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION BY THE STATE. THE CITY'S SCHOOL BOARD NARROWLY VOTED YESTERDAY TO KEEP THE AMERICAN INDIAN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL OPEN. SCHOOL LEADERS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED FOR FRAUD AND MISMANAGEMENT. EARLY FINDINGS SHOWS MORE THAN A MILLION-DOLLARS IN PAYMENTS WERE MADE TO ITS' FOUNDER... BEN CHAVIS AND HIS WIFE,.MARTHA AMADOR .OAKLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF HAD RECOMMENDED THE SCHOOL BOARD DENY THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S RENEWAL APPLICATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** SOON -- SOUTH BAY STUDENTS MAY NOT GET AS MUCH LEEWAY -- WHEN IT COMES TO SECURING A SPOT AT SAN JOSE STATE. TOMORROW, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE PROPOSED CHANGES TO SAN JOSE STATE'S ADMISSIONS GUIDELINES. AS IT STANDS NOW -- THE UNIVERSITY GIVES SANTA CLARA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS GUARANTEED ADMISSION -- IF THEY MEET THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS. WITH MASSIVE BUDGET CUTS -- AND THE PROSPECT OF MORE ON THE WAY -- THERE'S A GREAT CHANCE THE UNIVERSITY MAY HAVE TO SHIFT FROM A 'LOCAL AREA GUARANTEE' TO A SIMPLE 'PREFERENCE.'

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...**ONGOING FINANCIAL TROUBLES AT CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES WERE THE SUBJECT OF A LEGISLATIVE HEARING IN SACRAMENTO TODAY. GOVERNOR BROWN'S OFFICE OUTLINED A 500-MILLION DOLLAR FUNDING INCREASE. BUT THE INCREASE RELIES ON THE GOVERNOR'S TAX INITIATIVE PASSING IN NOVEMBER. IF IT FAILS, THE FUNDING WOULD BE CUT BY ALMOST HALF. LAST YEARS BUDGET CUTS TOOK 650-MILLION DOLLARS FROM COMMUNITY COLLEGES. THE CUTS CAUSED A SHORTAGE OF MATH AND ENGLISH CLASSES, FORCING THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS TO DROP OUT OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE. LAWMAKERS AREN'T EXPECTED TO MAKE ANY DRAMATIC BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS UNTIL AFTER A REVISED VERSION OF THE BUDGET IS RELEASED IN EARLY MAY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** THE PUNISHMENT FOR THREE SAN FRANCISCO STUDENTS, WHO WROTE UNFLATTERING COMMENTS ONLINE ABOUT THEIR TEACHER, HAS BEEN REVERSED AFTER ADVOCATES SUCCESSFULLY ARGUED ADMINISTRATORS VIOLATED THEIR RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH. THE STUDENTS COMPLAINED ABOUT SURPRISE DEADLINES AND HAVING TO SIT THROUGH LESSONS ABOUT PINK FLOYD ON A TUMBLR PAGE CALLED "SCUMBAG TEACHERS." WHEN ADMINISTRATORS FOUND OUT LAST MONTH... THEY ISSUED THREE-DAY SUSPENSIONS, BANNED THEM FROM THE PROM, AND FROM WALKING ALONGSIDE THEIR CLASSMATES DURING GRADUATION. THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION STEPPED-IN, TO DEFEND THE STUDENTS. THE STUDENTS HAD ALREADY SERVED THEIR SUSPENSIONS, BUT SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AGREED TO REMOVE IT FROM THEIR RECORDS. IN A STATEMENT...A DISTRICT SPOKESMAN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT QUOTE "PART OF HAVING AUTHORITY IS RECOGNIZING THAT IF YOU HAVE MADE A MISTAKE, YOU NEED TO CORRECT IT."

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** CAL-STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY WILL START VOTING TODAY ON WHETHER TO AUTHORIZE A 2--DAY STRIKE. THE STRIKE WOULD INCLUDE PROFESSORS, COUNSELORS AND LIBRARIANS ACROSS THE 23-CAMPUS SYSTEM. THE CALIFORNIA FACULTY ASSOCIATION SAYS THEY'VE BEEN WITHOUT A CONTRACT FOR NEARLY TWO YEARS. THE ASSOCIATE SAYS IT'S ALSO UPSET OVER A PROPOSED WAGE FREEZE, LARGER CLASSES AND CUTS TO SUMMER PAY. C-S-U HAS LOST NEARLY \$1-BILLION DOLLARS IN STATE FUNDING SINCE 2008. A SPOKESPERSON FOR C-S-U SAYS IT'S PREMATURE TO BE TALKING ABOUT STRIKE VOTES, WHEN THEY ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF BARGAINING. THE STRIKE VOTE WILL CONTINUE OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/19/12 REPORTED...** IN AN EFFORT TO GENERATE MORE MONEY FROM ITS INCOMING CLASS --THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IS ADMITTING MORE OUT-OF STATE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FOR THIS UPCOMING YEAR -- THAN \*EVER\* BEFORE. THE U-C IS ADMITTED NEARLY 19-THOUSAND STUDENTS FROM OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES. THAT'S UP FROM ABOUT 13-THOUSAND LAST YEAR. IF THOSE STUDENTS DECIDE TO ENROLL -- THEY WOULD PAY AN EXTRA 23-THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR - - HELPING CLOSE BUDGET GAPS CAUSED BY STATE FUNDING CUTS. THE U-C SYSTEM HOPES TO RAISE THE OVERALL ENROLLMENT OF NON-CALIFORNIANS TO ABOUT 10-PERCENT OF UNDERGRADS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** PRESIDENT OBAMA EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO KEEP STUDENT LOANS AT THEIR CURRENT INTEREST RATES TODAY. OBAMA SPOKE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA - AND TOLD STUDENTS - HE KNOWS A LITTLE SOMETHING ABOUT STUDENT DEBT. CHAPEL HILL WAS THE FIRST OF THREE STOPS ON THE PRESIDENT OBAMA'S PUSH TO PASS LEGISLATION TO PREVENT STUDENT LOAN RATES FROM DOUBLING ON JULY FIRST. WE SAT DOWN ONE-ON-ONE WITH THE SECETARY OF EDUCATION EARLIER TODAY. HE SAYS THOUSANDS OF CALIFORNIA FAMILIES WILL BE AFFECTED IF CONGRESS DOESN'T ACT. SECETARY DUNCAN ALSO SAID A COLLEGE EDUCATION HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN IT IS TODAY - BUT UNFORTUNTELY, IT'S ALSO NEVER BEEN MORE EXPENSIVE. HE SAYS CONGRESS NOW HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SURE THOSE COSTS DON'T CONTINUE TO INCREASE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/27/12 REPORTED...**IN THIS SAN JOSE STATE CLASSROOM, THE MAJORITY OF RALPH NICHOLS' STUDENTS HAVE TAKEN OUT STUDENT LOANS. AND THEY'RE FOLLOWING THE POLITICAL BATTLE OVER THE INTEREST RATE ON THOSE LOANS CLOSELY .. THEY KNOW, IF THE INTEREST RATE GOES UP .. SO DOES THE AMOUNT OF TIME THEY'LL BE PAYING THEM OFF. WITHOUT A BILL TO KEEP THE INTEREST RATE STEADY, IT WILL CLIMB FROM 3.4 PERCENT TO 6.8 PERCENT THIS SUMMER. A DRAG FOR THESE STUDENTS .. WHO REALLY DON'T CARE WHETHER THE REPUBLICANS OR DEMOCRATS WIN THE BATTLE .. INTERESTINGLY, THE CLASS ALSO INCLUDES LUCAS VALDENNAIRE, AN EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM FRANCE. WHERE HE, THANKS TO GOVERNMENT HELP, PAYS A LOT LESS TO GO TO COLLEGE. A LESSON IN MORE THAN ONE GOVERNMENT, AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/2/12 REPORTED...** DESPITE ALL OF THE RAIN IN THE PAST MONTH -- WE'RE STILL BELOW WHERE WE NEED TO BE. DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES SAYS WATER CONTENT IN CALIFORNIA'S SNOWPACK IS 55 PERCENT OF NORMAL FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR.THE LATEST SURVEY JUST CONDUCTED IS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THE YEAR, SINCE EARLY APRIL IS WHEN THE STATE'S SNOWPACK IS AT ITS PEAK, BEFORE IT BEGINS TO MELT INTO STREAMS. CALIFORNIA'S SNOWPACK WAS AT JUST 30 PERCENT OF NORMAL BEFORE THE WET MARCH HELPED OUT. FOR SOME PERSPECTIVE, AT THIS TIME LAST YEAR, THE SNOWPACK WAS AT 163 PERCENT OF NORMAL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** IN TEXAS -- AT LEAST THREE POWERFUL TORNADOS RIPPED THROUGH THE DALLAS - FORT WORTH AREA ... LEAVING BEHIND A PATH OF DESTRUCTION. LUCKILY, NO REPORTS OF SERIOUS INJURIES. IT IS DRAMATIC VIDEO...KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON THE MIDDLE OF YOUR SCREEN. LIVE T-V COVERAGE CAPTURED ONE OF THE TORNADOES LIFTING MASSIVE 18-WHEEL TRACTOR TRAILERS OFF THE GROUND -- LIKE TOYS..THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE DECLARED A "TORNADO EMERGENCY" ... AS MORE TWISTERS COULD HIT THE AREA. WE SHOULD NOTE -- THE SAN JOSE SHARKS ARE IN DALLAS RIGHT NOW PLAYING THE STARS... BUT THE GAME IS NOT AFFECTED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** CONSIDER IT A DOUBLE WHAMMY IF YOU'RE ALLERGIC TO TREES LIKE CYPRESS AND OAK YOU MAY ALREADY BE SNEEZING..BECAUSE WE SAW AN EARLY BLOOM THANKS TO WARM WEATHER. BUT THESE RAINS ARE GOING TO INCREASE THE GRASS POLLENS...SO IF YOU'RE ALLERGIC TO GRASS IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE WEEKS YOU MAY FEEL MISERABLE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** IT REALLY COULD HAVE BEEN SO MUCH WORSE. THERE ARE \*NO\* REPORTS OF MAJOR DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES AFTER A MASSIVE EARTHQUAKE AND SEVERAL STRONG AFTERSHOCKS HIT INDONESIA THIS MORNING. AN MAGNITUDE 8-POINT-6 QUAKE STRUCK IN THE OCEAN OFF THE WEST COAST OF SUMATRA. A SERIES OF AFTERSHOCKS FOLLOWED, INCLUDING ONE THAT MEASURED 8-POINT-2. THE QUAKE STRUCK ABOUT 300-MILES AWAY FROM BANDA ACEH (ah-CHAY), INDONESIA, WHICH WAS DEVASTATED BY THE INDIAN OCEAN TSUNAMI OF 2004. TODAY, WAVES TRAVELED AS FAR AWAY AS SOUTHERN INDIA. TOURISTS AND PEOPLE ON THE ISLAND OF (POO-KET) PHUKET, THAILAND ALSO FELT IT. EXPERTS SAY TODAY'S QUAKE WAS A "LATERAL QUAKE", WHICH REDUCED THE CHANCE OF A DESTRUCTIVE TSUNAMI.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** NEW CONCERNS ABOUT TOO MUCH WATER -- AND WHAT SOME CALL AN "INEVITABLE KATRINA." TODAY, A LOCAL LAWMAKER CALLED FOR HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO PROTECT THE SOUTH BAY SHORELINE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** FORECASTERS SAY ABOUT A-HUNDRED TORNADOES TOUCHED DOWN IN THE GREAT PLAINS OVER THE WEEKEND. DESTRUCTION WAS WIDESPREAD, BUT THE GREATEST ANGUISH WAS IN WOODWARD, OKLAHOMA, WHERE A LIGHTNING STRIKE SILENCED THE WARNING SIRENS THERE AND SIX DIED. MORE THAN A-HUNDRED BUILDINGS WERE DESTROYED. IN CRESTON, IOWA, THE CLOSE CALLS WERE FRIGHTENING: ONE MAN SHOVED HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN INTO A CLOSET: ADVANCED WARNING FORECASTS ARE GETTING CREDIT FOR THE DEATH TOLL NOT BEING HIGHER

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/20/12 REPORTED...** TODAY, WHAT'S BELIEVED TO BE THE GREENEST BUILDING ON THE PLANET-- HAD ITS OFFICIAL OPENING AT THE NASA AMES RESEARCH CENTER. THE \*SUSTAINABILITY BASE\* IS THE FIRST NEW BUILDING AT NASA-AMES IN MORE THAN A QUARTER-CENTURY. IT CREATES MORE ELECTRICITY THAN IT USES AND ADAPTS AUTOMATICALLY TO WEATHER, SEASONS, AND OCCUPANTS. ARCHITECTS EVEN INCORPORATED THE WINDS BLOWING IN OFF THE BAY-- INTO THEIR DESIGN. THE \*SUSTAINABILITY BASE\* INCLUDES NASA TECHNOLOGY, SUCH AS A WATER RECOVERY SYSTEM ORIGINALLY DESIGNED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** DITCHING PLASTICS IN SAN JOSE. TODAY, THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED TO STOP USING PLASTIC FOAM-FOOD CONTAINERS ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY. THE STATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION IS GEARING-UP TO OPPOSE WHAT SOME EXPECT TO BE THE COUNCIL'S NEXT STEP-- BANNING STYROFOAM CONTAINERS CITY-WIDE. TODAY'S VOTE MEANS THEY WON'T BE USED AT CITY COMMUNITY CENTERS, WEDDINGS, OR OTHER EVENTS AT CITY HALL. THEY'VE BEEN OFF THE MENU FOR AWHILE AT SAN JOSE'S AIRPORT AND CONVENTION CENTER. SEVERAL BAY AREA CITIES ALREADY BAN FOAM CUPS AND CLAMSHELLS, AS PART OF A STATE MANDATE TO CUT THE AMOUNT OF LITTER GOING INTO SAN FRANCISCO BAY.

### **GOVERNMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** THE RESULTS ARE SLOWLY COMING IN RIGHT NOW FOR TONIGHTS REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN MARYLAND AND D-C...AND IT LOOKS LIKE A GOOD NIGHT FOR MITT ROMNEY. ROMNEY IS THE PROJECTED WINNER IN MARYLAND. WITH ABOUT 10-PERCENT OF ALL VOTES IN, ROMNEY HAS SECURED 53- PERCENT OF THE VOTES, WITH SANTORUM FOLLOWING WITH 27 -PERCENT. ROMNEY IS ALSO PROJECTED TO WIN D-C. AS OF RIGHT NOW, WISCONSIN IS "TOO EARLY TO CALL", THE RESULTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN BY 9-O'CLOCK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** PRESIDENT OBAMA CAME-OUT SWINGING AGAINST THE G-O-P TODAY USING ONE OF THE MOST BELOVED REPUBLICANS AS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE PARTY. THE PRESIDENT, SPEAKING AT A MEETING FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, SAID THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS SO RADICAL **AND** RIGHT-LEANING ... THAT IF THE LATE RONALD REAGAN WERE TO RUN TODAY, HE COULD NOT EVEN WIN A PRIMARY RACE. MISTER OBAMA MADE THE STATEMENTS WHILE BLASTING THE REPUBLICAN BUDGET PROPOSAL, PASSED IN THE HOUSE LAST WEEK. HE SAYS THE PROPOSAL MAKES DEEP CUTS TO EDUCATION AND "RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT", CALLING IT A "PRESCRIPTION FOR DECLINE". THE REPUBLICAN BUDGET STANDS LITTLE CHANCE OF PASSING THE DEMOCRATIC-CONTROLLED SENATE. PRESIDENT OBAMA AGREES TO SOME CUTS, BUT SAYS IT SHOULD BE OFFSET BY RAISING TAXES ON THE COUNTRY'S WEALTHIEST.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** BUY, BUILD AND BE AMERICAN. THAT MESSAGE -- BEING SENT TO BART -- BY CONGRESSMAN JOHN GARAMENDI AND UNION LEADERS. DURING A NEWS CONFERENCE AT TREASURE ISLAND TODAY, THEY URGED BART TO STICK TO ITS COMMITMENT TO BUY AMERICAN. THE BART BOARD WILL SOON MAKE A DECISION ON A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR CONTRACT -- FOR A NEW FLEET OF TRAIN CARS. THE CONGRESSMAN SAYS -- DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE BAY BRIDGE A FEW YEARS AGO -- CAL-TRANS CHOSE TO SUPPORT CHINESE STEEL PRODUCERS INSTEAD OF AMERICAN ONES -- AND HE DOESN'T WANT HISTORY TO REPEAT ITSELF. BART RECENTLY ANNOUNCED -- "BOMBARDIER TRANSIT COPORATION" IS THE APPARENT TOP SCORER IN THE BID TO BUILD THE CARS. BUT -- THE CANADIAN-BASED COMPANY STILL HAS HURDLERS TO CLEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** THE SENATE IS SET TO VOTE ON THE 'BUFFET RULE' NEXT WEEK. THE PRESIDENT SAYS IF YOU MAKE MORE THAN ONE MILLION PER YEAR - YOU SHOULD PAY MORE IN TAXES...HE SPOKE AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY - SAYING HE WANTS TO RE-PEAL THE BUSH TAX CUTS FOR THE WEALTHIEST AMERICANS...HE SAYS THE DISPARITY BETWEEN THE RICH AND THE MIDDLE OR LOWER CLASSES IS THE GREATEST IT HAS BEEN SINCE THE 1920s...I SAT DOWN WITH SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY ECONOMICS PROFESSOR ALEXANDER FLIELD A SHORT TIME A GO...HE SAYS HE THINKS THE PRESIDENTS PLAN WILL WORK... THE "BUFFET RULE" IS NOT EXPECTED TO PASS IN CONGRESS - BUT DEMOCRATS SAY IT HIGHLIGHTS A STARK DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND MITT ROMNEY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** A NEW PIECE OF LEGISLATION PROTECTING VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN THE ASSEMBLY TODAY. THE PROPOSED LAW COMES IN RESPONSE TO THE CASE OF CRYSTAL HARRIS. HARRIS, WHO EARNS A SIX FIGURE SALARY, WAS RAPED BY HER HUSBAND IN 2008. SHE IS NOW FORCED TO PAY HIM ONE-THOUSAND DOLLARS A MONTH IN SPOUSAL SUPPORT WHILE HE'S IN STATE PRISON. IF PASSED, THOSE CONVICTED OF VIOLENT SEXUAL CRIMES WOULD NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE SPOUSAL SUPPORT. WITHOUT A CHANGE IN THE LAW, HARRIS' EX WOULD BE ENTITLED TO EVEN MORE SPOUSAL SUPPORT WHEN HE'S RELEASED FROM PRISON. THE BILL NOW MOVES TO THE STATE SENATE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** "CORY BOOKER", THE MAYOR OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY RAN INTO A BURNING BUILDING LAST NIGHT TO RESCUE HIS NEIGHBOR. BOOKER, A FORMER STANFORD FOOTBALL PLAYER, RAN THROUGH THE FLAMES AND CARRIED THE WOMAN OUT ON HIS SHOULDERS. BOTH THE MAYOR AND THE WOMAN WENT TO THE HOSPITAL. BOOKER DENIES HE'S A HERO... AND SPOKE TODAY ABOUT WHAT WENT THOROUGH HIS MIND DURING THE LIFE-THREATENING RESCUE. THE WOMAN IS IN STABLE CONDITION WITH SECOND DEGREE BURNS. ON A SIDE NOTE, BOOKER IS GIVING STANFORD'S 20-12 COMMENCEMENT SPEECH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/18/12 REPORTED...** CONGRESSMAN PETE STARK APOLOGIZED TODAY FOR PUBLICLY ACCUSING DEMOCRATIC CHALLENGER ERIC SWALWELL OF ACCEPTING "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN BRIBES". STARK MADE THOSE COMMENTS DURING A CANDIDATE FORUM AT HAYWARD CITY HALL EARLIER THIS MONTH. HE ACCUSED THE DUBLIN CITY COUNCILMAN OF ACCEPTING BRIBES FROM ONE OF THE CITIES MOST PROMINENT REAL-ESTATE DEVELOPERS... IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS VOTES ON ZONING ISSUES. REPRESENTATIVE STARK APOLOGIZED IN A STATEMENT TO NBC BAY AREA TODAY.. HE SAID QUOTE "I MISSPOKE THE OTHER EVENING WHEN I MADE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST MY OPPONENT FOR TAKING BRIBES, AND FOR THAT I APOLOGIZE."SWALWELL HAD THREATENED TO HIRE A LAWYER IF STARK DIDN'T APOLOGIZE, TODAY HE SAID STARK DIDN'T "MISSPEAK".

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/25/12 REPORTED...** A POSSIBLE SETBACK FOR THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION. THE SUPREME COURT JUSTICES HEARD FINAL ARGUMENTS ON ARIZONA'S CONTROVERSIAL IMMIGRATION LAW. LIBERAL AND CONSERVATIVE JUSTICES SEEM TO AGREE THAT THE CONTROVERSIAL LAW -- IS CONSTITUTIONAL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/30/12 REPORTED...** NEW LEGISLATION WOULD ALLOW THE STATE TO ASK ITS CONTRACTORS WHETHER THEY ARE OWNED AND OPERATED BY GAYS OR LESBIANS. THE LANDMARK MEASURE IS HEADED TO THE STATE SENATE AFTER A 47-TO-24 VOTE IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY. IF PASSED THERE... IT WOULD ADD L-G-B-T OWNED BUSINESSES TO THE LIST OF DATA COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES. DEMOCRATIC ASSEMBLYMAN ROGER DICKINSON AUTHORED THE BILL, SAYING IT WOULD BETTER MEASURE THE IMPACT L-G-B-T OWNED BUSINESSES HAVE ON THE ECONOMY.

### **HEALTH/NUTRITION & DISEASE**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** EAT WELL AND EAT LOCAL. THAT'S THE MESSAGE COMING OUT OF SACRAMENTO. THE STATE BOARD OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE WANTS CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS TO SERVE MORE HEALTHY FOODS AND MORE LOCALLY-PRODUCED FOODS. ALICE WATERS, THE FOUNDER OF THE FAMOUS ORGANIC RESTAURANT CHEZ PANISSE IN BERKELEY, WANTS TO TAKE IT ONE STEP FURTHER. SHE'S LAUNCHED A PROGRAM CALLED "EDIBLE SCHOOLYARD" WHERE LOCAL STUDENTS PLANT, GROW, AND COOK THEIR OWN FOODS. WATERS DISCUSSED THE INSPIRATION BEHIND THE PROGRAM. THE BOARD IS CONSIDERING THE "EDIBLE SCHOOLYARD" PROGRAM AS A POSSIBLE MODEL FOR OTHER SCHOOLS AROUND THE STATE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** IN HEALTH MATTERS IT'S NO SECRET THAT AMERICAN'S AS A POPULATION HAVE BEEN GETTING HEAVIER...BUT RESEARCHERS NOW SAY THAT OUR WEIGHT PROBLEM MAY BE WORSE THAN WE THOUGHT. A STUDY PUBLISHED BY THE "PUBLIC LIBRARY OF SCIENCE" FINDS THE CURRENT MEASURE OF OBESITY, THE B-M-I INDEX, SIGNIFICANTLY UNDERESTIMATES THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY WOMEN, WHO ARE OBESE. RESEARCHERS SAY THAT'S BECAUSE B-M-I IS A SIMPLE HEIGHT TO WEIGHT RATIO, WHICH DOESN'T MEASURE BODY FAT PERCENTAGE. THE STUDY FINDS THAT BASED ON B-M-I ABOUT ONE THIRD OF AMERICAN'S ARE CONSIDERED OBESE, BUT WHEN OTHER METHODS OF MEASURING OBESITY ARE USED, THAT NUMBER MAY BE CLOSER TO 60-PERCENT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/9/12 REPORTED...** 10 YEARS OF RESEARCH ON ONE-THOUSAND MOTHERS AND THEIR KIDS -- BOILS DOWN TO THIS. WOMEN WHO ARE OBESE DURING PREGNANCY ARE 67 PERCENT MORE LIKELY TO DELIVER A CHILD WITH AUTISM WHEN COMPARED TO HEALTHY WOMEN . SOON-TO-BE MOTHERS WITH DIABETES ARE ALSO 67 PERCENT MORE LIKELY TO HAVE A CHILD WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS ACCORDING TO A STUDY RELEASED BY THE U-C DAVIS MIND INSTITUTE. BUT PAULA KRAKOWIAK, A CO-AUTHOR OF THE STUDY SAYS THAT HER RESEARCH DID FIND THAT A MOTHER'S OBESITY DID AFFECT THE CHILD'S BRAIN. THE CHILDREN OF OVER-WEIGHT, OBESE AND DIABETIC MOTHERS HAD A TOUGHER TIME COMMUNICATING WHEN COMPARED TO KIDS WHOSE MOTHERS WERE OF NORMAL WEIGHT. RESEARCHERS DETERMINED THE WOMEN'S OBESITY BY USING THE BODY MASS INDEX. ACCORDING TO THE STUDY, MORE THAN 60 PERCENT OF WOMEN OF CHILDBEARING AGE IN THE UNITED STATES ARE OVERWEIGHT -- 34 PERCENT ARE OBESE. DOCTOR ED HENDRICKS IS AN OBESITY MEDICINE TREATMENT SPECIALIST IN ROSEVILLE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** BUTT OUT. TODAY, SAN JOSE JOINED MORE THAN A-HUNDRED OTHER U-S CITIES IN EXTENDING SMOKING BANS TO OUTDOOR DINING AREAS AND OTHER PLACES WHERE PEOPLE GATHER. THE CITY COUNCIL'S VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS. THE LAW ALREADY BANS SMOKING WITHIN 25 FEET OF LIBRARIES, AND IN PARKS AND SPORTS ARENAS. TODAY'S VOTE **EXTENDS** THE SMOKING BAN TO OUTDOOR PATIOS OF BARS AND RESTAURANTS, COMMON AREAS OF APARTMENTS, AND AREAS WHERE PEOPLE STAND-IN LINE OR GATHER OUTSIDE, SUCH AS THE MOVIE THEATRE OR A LIGHT-RAIL STATION. IT ALSO FORBIDS SMOKING **INSIDE** AN APARTMENT WHICH IS PART OF A MULTI-UNIT BUILDING. THE NEW LAW TAKES EFFECT ON MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/10/12 REPORTED...** TONIGHT IN HEALTH MATTERS--DESPITE WHAT IT SAYS ON THE LABEL, THAT BOTTLE OF NAIL POLISH IN YOUR HOME MAY CONTAIN DANGEROUS CHEMICALS. THE \*DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL\* HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO TODAY TO CALL FOR STRICTER LABELING LAWS. AFTER A YEAR-LONG INVESTIGATION, STATE RESEARCHERS FOUND THAT EVEN BRANDS CLAIMING TO BE FREE OF TOXINS CONTAINED POTENTIAL CANCER-CAUSING CHEMICALS. AND FOUR OF THE POLISHES TESTED HAD **DANGEROUSLY** HIGH LEVELS. 25 DIFFERENT BRANDS OF NAIL POLISH WERE TESTED. RESEARCHERS SAY SOME OF THE CHEMICALS HAVE BEEN LINKED TO CANCER, BIRTH DEFECTS AND ASTHMA.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/11/12 REPORTED...** PEOPLE ARE LIVING LONGER THESE DAYS, THANKS TO STRIDES IN HEALTH CARE, BUT THAT ALSO MEANS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DIAGNOSED WITH DIMENTIA WILL SKYROCKET IN COMING YEARS. A REPORT BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FINDS THAT NEARLY 36-MILLION PEOPLE SUFFER FROM DEMENTIA TODAY. THAT NUMBER IS PROJECTED TO TRIPLE BY 20-50. THE INCREASE IS EXPECTED TO HIT POORER NATIONS EVEN HARDER. PEOPLE LIVING IN LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES MAKE UP 58-PERCENT OF ALL DEMENTIA CASES...THAT NUMBER COULD RISE TO 70 PERCENT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** BUTT OUT. NEW RESEARCH SUGGESTS THAT AMONG SMOKERS, THOSE WHO PREFER MENTHOLATED CIGARETTES TEND TO HAVE MORE STROKES THAN NON-MENTHOL SMOKERS. A STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE "ARCHIVES OF INTERNAL MEDICINE" FOUND THOSE WHO SMOKED MENTHOLATED CIGARETTES MORE THAN DOUBLED THEIR RISK OF STROKE COMPARED TO THOSE WHO OPTED FOR NON MENTHOLATED CIGARETTES. RESEARCHERS SAY THAT'S BECAUSE MENTHOL IN CIGARETTES MAY EFFECT BLOOD VESSELS THAT SUPPLY THE BRAIN...INCREASING THE ODDS OF A STROKE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/16/12 REPORTED...** WHEN IT COMES TO COSMETIC SURGERY..."CHIN-PLANTS" ARE BECOMING THE 'GOTTA HAVE IT PROCEDURE'. NEW STATISTICS BY THE "AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLASTIC SURGEONS" FINDS MORE THAN 20-THOUSAND PEOPLE HAD A CHIN-ENHANCEMENT PROCEDURE LAST YEAR ALONE. THAT'S AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 70-PERCENT FROM PREVIOUS YEARS, HIGHER THAN THAT OF BREAST AUGMENTATION, LIPOSUCTION, AND EVEN BOTOX. RESEARCHERS SAY THE INCREASE IS PARTIALLY CAUSED BY MORE AND MORE PEOPLE USING DIGITAL CAMERAS AND VIDEO CHATTING APPS, MAKING USERS MORE IMAGE CONSCIOUS OF THEIR CHIN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/30/12 REPORTED...** THEY ARE THE YOUNGEST VICTIMS OF DRUG ADDICTION. A NEW STUDY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN FINDS THE NUMBER OF BABIES BORN WITH A DRUG WITHDRAWAL SYNDROME HAS TRIPLED BETWEEN 2000 AND 2009. AT THE SAME TIME, THE USE OF PRESCRIPTION PAIN KILLERS BY PREGNANT WOMEN HAS INCREASED FIVE-FOLD. BABIES BORN WITH THE SYNDROME CRY FREQUENTLY, HAVE MORE ISSUES WITH FEEDING, AND OFTEN SCRATCH THEIR FACE. DOCTORS SAY TYLENOL REMAINS THE SAFEST PAIN KILLER TO TAKE DURING PREGNANCY.

#### **NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS/SAFETY & SECURITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/3/12 REPORTED...** A POTENTIALLY DEVASTATING BAN ON MOSQUITO SPRAYING WAS LIFTED TODAY BY THE STATE WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD. THE BAN WOULD HAVE PREVENTED VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICTS FROM SPRAYING AROUND HUNDREDS OF LAKES AND WATER WAYS ACROSS CALIFORNIA. THE BAN WAS PUT INTO EFFECT LAST FALL OVER CONCERNS ABOUT THE USE OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES THAT COULD BE TOXIC. AND THERE'S STILL CONCERN ABOUT WEST NILE VIRUS. 110-PEOPLE HAVE DIED FROM WEST NILE SINCE IT FIRST ARRIVED IN CALIFORNIA IN 2003. SO FAR THIS YEAR, THREE DEAD BIRDS IN THREE COUNTIES INCLUDING SANTA CLARA, HAVE TESTED POSITIVE FOR WEST NILE VIRUS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE REPORTING THE YEAR'S FIRST CASE OF WEST NILE VIRUS NEAR CONCORD TONIGHT. THE BIRD WAS FOUND IN PLEASANT HILL NEAR BUCHANAN FIELD AIRPORT AND CONTRA COSTA BOULEVARD. HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE WORRIED A REPORT THIS EARLY COULD MEAN A LONGER, MORE INTENSE SEASON. LAST YEAR, THE FIRST ANIMAL CASE OF WEST NILE WASN'T REPORTED UNTIL JUNE. SINCE 2005, MORE THAN 35 PEOPLE IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH WEST NILE VIRUS. IN 2006, TWO PEOPLE DIED FROM THE DISEASE. COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE URGING PEOPLE TO HELP REDUCE THE RISK OF THE VIRUS BY DUMPING OR DRAINING STANDING WATER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/12/12 REPORTED...** TENSIONS ARE HIGH TONIGHT, FOLLOWING NORTH KOREA'S LAUNCH OF A LONG-RANGE ROCKET. OFFICIALS SAY THE ROCKET BROKE INTO PIECES SHORTLY AFTER LIFT-OFF A COUPLE HOURS AGO, BUT THE LAUNCH IS INSTIGATING AND RAISING TENSIONS ACROSS THE GLOBE. NORTH KOREA SAID IT WAS SENDING A THREE-STAGE ROCKET, MOUNTED WITH A SATELLITE INTO SPACE, AS PART OF CELEBRATIONS MARKING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF NATIONAL FOUNDER KIM IL SUNG. BUT



THE U-S BELIEVES IT WAS A COVER ... FOR DEVELOPING A MISSILE THAT ONE DAY MAY CARRY A NUCLEAR WARHEAD.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/13/12 REPORTED...** THE UNITED STATES IS SUSPENDING PLANS TO PROVIDE FOOD AID TO NORTH KOREA, NOW THAT THE NATION HAS ATTEMPTED TO LAUNCH A MISSILE. THE SATELLITE LAUNCH FAILED YESTERDAY. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS THE DOOR REMAINS OPEN, BUT ADDS THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT REWARD BAD BEHAVIOR WITH NEGOTIATIONS. IN THE NORTH KOREAN CAPITAL, THOUSANDS HAD GATHERED FOR WHAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A BIG CELEBRATION. LEADER NEW LEADER KIM JUNG UN MADE A RARE PUBLIC APPEARANCE FOR THE UNVEILING OF TWO HUGE STATUES OF KOREA'S FOUNDER. THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE UNVEILED AFTER A SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/23/12 REPORTED...** IT'S A REASONABLE QUESTION... ESPECIALLY WHEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO LOOK CLOSER. WE SPENT SEVEN HOURS AND SEVERAL PHONE CALLS TO THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL TRYING TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION... TONIGHT SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE C-H-P TELL US THEY ARE NOT ACTING BECAUSE THE FEDERAL REVIEW IS ONLY ROUTINE AT THIS POINT AND HASN'T BEEN TITLED AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION. YESTERDAY THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCED IT'S STARTED A PRELIMINARY EVALUATION OF INTERNATIONAL C-E BUSES. IN SOME CASES YOU CAN IDENTIFY THE BUSES BY IT'S YELLOW SHIELD WITH THE LETTERS I-C IN THE MIDDLE. THE BUSES WERE MANUFACTURED BY NAVISTAR INCORPORATED AND THE REVIEW CENTERS ON BUSES BUILT IN 2008. THIS EVALUATION CAME AFTER TWO COMPLAINTS... NO CONFIRMATION YET ON WHERE THEY HAPPENED. IN ONE CASE A BUS FILLED WITH STUDENTS WAS TRAVELING AT 55-MILES PER HOUR WHEN IT STARTED SMOKING AND STALLED. IN THE STATE--THE C-H-P REGULATES SCHOOL BUSES. ON THE PHONE JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO C-H-P SUPERVISORS TOLD US THEY HAVE NOT SEARCHED THE BUS DATA BASE TO SEE IF ANY OF THE BUSES ARE TAKING CHILDREN TO SCHOOL IN CALIFORNIA... BECAUSE THE FEDERAL ANNOUNCEMENT IS ONLY A PRELIMINARY REVIEW. THE C-H-P MANAGERS SAID THEY DO NOT PLAN TO INVESTIGATE THE STATE'S BUS INVENTORY OR NOTIFY THE DISTRICTS ABOUT THE FEDERAL INQUIRY. SO IF YOU ARE A PARENT WITH A STUDENT TAKING THE BUS TO SCHOOL... YOUR BEST BET RIGHT NOW IS CONTACT YOUR DISTRICT AND SEE IF THEY ARE USING I-C BUSES BUILT IN 2008. SO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SAYS IT'S WORTH A CLOSER LOOK... THE C-H-P SAYS IT DOES NOT KNOW IF THE BUSES ARE IN SERVICE IN THE BAY AREA--- AND FOR NOW IT HAS NO PLANS TO CHECK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/23/12 REPORTED...** THEY'RE USING THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY AT THE SAN JOSE 911- CALL CENTER. AND IT'S JOEY MCDONALD'S JOB TO MAKE SURE SHE GETS AN AMBULANCE OR POLICE TO YOUR EMERGENCY. BUT IF THE BIG CALL ARRIVES, MCDONALD HOPES SHE'LL BE ABLE TO TALK TO ALL FIRST RESPONDERS FROM OTHER AREAS WHO ARE COMING TO HELP. THAT WAS THE PROBLEM DURING THE OAKLAND HILLS FIRE, AND ON 9-11. EMERGENCY CREWS COULDN'T TALK TO EACH OTHER BECAUSE OF AN OUTDATED COMMUNICATION SYSTEM. CONGRESS SIGNED OFF ON A NEW 7-BILLION DOLLAR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, GIVING FIRST RESPONDERS THEIR OWN NATIONAL CHANNEL---ONE WHERE THEY'LL USE APPS TO SEND REAL-TIME VIDEO, IMAGES, AND INSTRUCTIONS TO ONE ANOTHER--NOT JUST TALK ON A WALKIE TALKIE. SAN JOSE POLICE CHIEF CHRIS MOORE HELPED SPRADEHEAD THE NATIONAL EFFORT. THE NATIONAL GUARD SAYS TROOPS HAVE THIS ABILITY IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, WHY NOT HERE AT HOME. THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE SYSTEM SHOULD BE IN PLACE IN ABOUT A DECADE. IT'S WHEN MCDONALD MIGHT ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO SEE WHOEVER IS DIALING 9-1-1 BUT UNTIL THEN, IT'S THE DISPATCHERS WHO'LL HAVE TO PUSH ALL THE BUTTONS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/24/12 REPORTED...** MAD COW MAKES A COMEBACK. TONIGHT... STATE AND FEDERAL HEALTH WORKERS ARE TRACING A CENTRAL VALLEY DAIRY COW WHICH TESTED POSITIVE FOR MAD COW DISEASE...THEY WANT TO KNOW WHICH FARM IT CAME FROM. THE DISEASE UNCOVERED DURING RANDOM TESTING IN KINGS COUNTY. THE DEAD COW WAS BEING SENT TO A RENDERING PLANT, WHERE IT WOULD BE TURNED INTO SOAP, CHEMICALS, AND OTHER PRODUCTS. AUTHORITIES EMPHASIZE THE COW NEVER ENTERED THE HUMAN FOOD CHAIN, AND IT'S ONLY THE FOURTH CASE OF MAD COW IN THE U-S... EVER. EXPERTS SAY IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THIS WAS AN \*ATYPICAL\* CASE, BECAUSE THE COW DID NOT GET THE DISEASE BY EATING INFECTED CATTLE FEED. MAD COW DISEASE IS A NEUROLOGICAL DISEASE THAT CAN BE DEADLY FOR BOTH ANIMALS AND HUMANS-- BUT IT CANNOT BE TRANSMITTED THROUGH MILK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 4/25/12 REPORTED...** THE TSA AT LAX -- IS IN HOT ATER. AGENTS ARE ACCUSED OF MAKING THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS -- FOR LOOKING THE OTHER WAY. FOUR CURRENT AND FORMER TSA EMPLOYEES ARE UNDER ARREST ON FEDERAL DRUG TRAFFICKING CHARGES TONIGHT. HERE IS A PICTURE OF ONE OF THEM BEING LED AWAY IN CUFFS TODAY. AUTHORITIES SAY THE EMPLOYEES WERE PAID TO ALLOW LARGE AMOUNTS OF COCAINE, METH AND MARIJUANA THROUGH X-RAY MACHINES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT. IT HAPPENED OVER A SIX MONTH PERIOD LAST YEAR. IF CONVICTED, ALL FOUR EMPLOYEES FACE A MINIMUM OF 10 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON.

###

## **KNTV/NBC Bay Area**

### **Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Second Quarter May 2012**

**KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affairs programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.**

#### **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** THE JOURNAL SAYS THE COMPANY WILL MEET WITH BANKERS NEXT WEEK, AND WILL IPO ON MAY 18TH ..NO COMMENT FROM FACEBOOK ON ITS IPO PLANS .. BUT CEO MARK ZUCKERBERG DID COMMENT ON THE NEWEST FACEBOOK FEATURE, ANNOUNCING A WAY TO ANNOUNCE YOUR "DONOR STATUS" ON YOUR FACEBOOK PAGE. THE COMPANY SAYS IT HOPES TO ENCOURAGE MORE FACEBOOK USERS .. AND THERE ARE NEARLY A BILLION OF THEM .. TO BECOME ORGAN DONORS. IT MAY ALREADY BE WORKING .. "DONATE LIFE CALIFORNIA," SAYS IT'S SEEN A 700 PERCENT JUMP IN THE DAILY NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO TYPICALLY SIGN UP TO BE ORGAN DONORS .. SINCE THE ANNOUNCEMENT THIS MORNING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** THE STATISTICS ARE SOBERING ..EVEN IN AN ECONOMY THAT'S GETTING STRONGER, JOBS ARE STILL HARD TO COME BY FOR RECENT COLLEGE GRADUATES .. NOW, THERE'S A STARTUP THAT WANTS TO HELP, USING TECHNOLOGY...TO MOVE BEYOND THE RESUME. READY FORCE USES SOFTWARE, AND VIDEO, TO GET GRADUATES READY FOR THE WORKFORCE, AND BRING THEM TOGETHER WITH COMPANIES LOOKING TO FILL JOBS. IT'S AN IDEA THAT WORKED FOR SHWETIKA BAIJAL, WHO MADE THIS VIDEO A YEAR AGO .. AND WAS HIRED .. BY READYFORCE. SHE'S NOW A RECENT GRAD, AND A FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE. AN ADVANTAGE FOR GRADUATES .. AND FOR COMPANIES TRYING TO HIRE .. THIS IS A WAY TO BRING PEOPLE AND JOBS TOGETHER .. MAKING YOU LESS GENERIC, AND MORE ATTRACTIVE, TO YOUR NEXT EMPLOYER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** SOME POLITICAL HEAVYWEIGHTS ARE IN SAN JOSE.... FOR AN ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS. AMONG THE SPEAKERS ... FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE CONDOLEEZA RICE, FORMER PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON... AND IT WAS HOSTED BY MAYOR CHUCK REED... THE 40-TH ANNUAL \*OUTLOOK CONFERENCE\* ... ORGANIZED BY THE BUSINESS GROUP \*BAY AREA COUNCIL\* -- WAS HELD AT THE CALIFORNIA THEATRE IN DOWNTOWN... IT'S PURPOSE -- TO TRY AND FORECAST WHERE THE ECONOMY IS HEADING... AND BILL CLINTON HAD THIS TO SAY ABOUT GOVERNOR... JERRY BROWN'S JOB PERFORMANCE... CONDOLEZZA RICE SPOKE FOR NEARLY AN HOUR... TODAY. SHE SAYS THAT MITT ROMNEY WOULD MAKE A "FINE PRESIDENT"... BUT THAT SHE HAS NO INTEREST IN BEING A CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT. SHE ALSO HAD SOME ADVICE FOR ROMNEY ABOUT THE KIND OF PERSON HE SHOULD CHOOSE. SHE SAYS "SOMEBODY WHO ACTUALLY WANTS TO RUN FOR OFFICE WOULD BE A GOOD START."

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** MAKING GOOD ON THEIR PROMISE. THE COMPANY THAT'S IN CHARGE OF RE-DEVELOPING HUNTERS POINT IN THE BAY VIEW DISTRICT, CAME THROUGH WITH IT'S FIRST INSTALLMENT TODAY. IN A CEREMONY AT CITY HALL, THE "LENNAR CORPERATION" HANDED OVER A CHECK FOR 7-POINT-3 MILLION DOLLARS TO CITY OFFICIALS. THE CONTRIBUTION MARKS THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF THE 37- AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS DEDICATED TO JOB TRAINING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUNTERS POINT. THE 702-ACRE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT ON

THE OLD NAVAL SHIPYARD IS ANTICIPATED TO GENERATE MORE THAN 12-THOUSAND PERMANENT JOBS. LENNAR AND ITS PARTNERS HAVE NOT YET STARTED CONSTRUCTION ON ANY PART OF THE PROJECT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** THIS IS NOT NORMALLY HOW A ROADSHOW BEGINS .. MOST EXECUTIVES CAN JUST WALK RIGHT INTO THE BUILDING AND MEET BANKERS AND OTHER INVESTORS .. BUT MOST EXECUTIVES ARE NOT MARK ZUCKERBERG ..THE FACEBOOK CEO, AND OTHER COMPANY EXECUTIVES FACED BIG CROWDS AND LOTS OF CAMERAS ON THEIR WAY INTO NEW YORK'S SHERATON HOTEL ..ZUCKERBERG ALSO NOT "DRESSED" LIKE MOST EXECUTIVES .. FACEBOOK IS LOOKING TO RAISE NEARLY 12 BILLION DOLLARS BY GOING PUBLIC .. IT WILL BE A HUGE STOCK OFFERING .. COMPARE THAT TO WHAT "HAD" BEEN CONSIDERED A BIG IPO, ZYNGA, WHICH RECENTLY RAISED "ONE" BILLION DOLLARS..THE ROADSHOW CONTINUES THIS WEEK, WITH FACEBOOK MEETING INVESTORS IN BOSTON AND PALO ALTO. CNBC'S KAY-LA TAU-SHE WAS IN NEW YORK FOR DAY ONE ..

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/9/12 REPORTED...** BUDGET CUTS ARE CHOPPING MORE JOBS...THIS TIME IN MILPITAS. EFFECTIVE JULY FIRST, 52 CITY EMPLOYEES WILL BE LAID OFF TO HELP CLOSE A PROJECTED 9-POINT-2 MILLION DOLLAR SHORTFALL IN ITS GENERAL FUND. THE MILPITAS CITY COUNCIL APPROVED THE RESTRUCTURING PLAN. THE 'MILPITAS RAINBOW THEATRE' AND 'MILPITAS TEEN CENTER' WILL SEE CUTS TO THEIR PROGRAMS AND THE CITY'S PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL NO LONGER OFFER EXTENDED HOURS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/18/12 REPORTED...** YEAH, QUITE A DAY FOR FACEBOOK, AND ESPECIALLY FOR FACEBOOK EMPLOYEES .. AFTER BUILDING A VERY SUCCESSFUL COMPANY, THEY GOT THE CHANCE TO WATCH THEIR OWN SUCCESSFUL IPO .. IF "YOU'VE" BEEN THINKING ABOUT OWNING A PIECE OF FACEBOOK .. HERE ARE THE NUMBERS AFTER DAY ONE .. SHARES OF FACEBOOK - WHICH PRICED, PRE-IPO AT 38 DOLLARS A SHARE .. MADE THEIR NASDAQ DEBUT A SHADE ABOVE 42 DOLLARS A SHARE .. NOT MUCH EXCITEMENT AFTER THAT, THOUGH .. AND THE COMPANY CLOSED ITS FIRST DAY OF TRADING .. JUST ABOVE 38 ... EACH. STILL, THAT VALUES FACEBOOK ABOVE 100 BILLION DOLLARS. BIG MONEY .. AFTER A BIG IPO.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** FACEBOOK RIVAL YAHOO PULLED IN A LOT OF MONEY TODAY .. BY SELLING PART OF ITSELF OFF .. THE SUNNYVALE COMPANY PARTED WAYS WITH ALIBABA, A CHINESE INTERNET COMPANY YAHOO INVESTED IN BACK IN 2005 .. YAHOO SAYS IT MADE 7.1 BILLION DOLLARS ON THE SALE .. YAHOO SHARES UP ABOUT ONE PERCENT ON THE DEAL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** ANOTHER VICTIM OF A TOUGH ECONOMY. "AMERICA'S OLDEST ITALIAN RESTAURANT" -- \*FIOR d' ITALIA\* ((FEE-OR de ITALIA)) IS CLOSING ITS DOORS...TONIGHT. THE 126-YEAR OLD RESTAURANT FIRST OPENED IN SAN FRANCISCO BACK IN 1886... AND IS CURRENTLY LOCATED IN NORTH BEACH. ONE OF THE OWNERS SAYS THE RESTAURANT HAS BEEN STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY -- FORCING IT TO CLOSE. BUT - THEY HOPE TO BE ABLE TO RE-OPEN IN THE FUTURE...

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/22/12 REPORTED...** RIGHT NOW... SAN JOSE'S CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ARE OVERFLOWING-- WITH ACTIVISTS ON BOTH SIDES OF A PLAN TO RAISE SAN JOSE'S MINIMUM WAGE. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE HIKE WANT THE MEASURE APPROVED OUTRIGHT-- OVER MAYOR CHUCK REED'S OBJECTIONS. THE PLAN WOULD RAISE THE MINIMUM WAGE IN SAN JOSE FROM EIGHT DOLLARS... TO TEN DOLLARS AN HOUR. AFTER THAT, ANNUAL INCREASES WOULD BE TIED TO THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX. BACKERS INCLUDE THE SAN JOSE LABOR COUNCIL AND STUDENTS AT SAN JOSE STATE, WHO COLLECTED 36-THOUSAND SIGNATURES TO PLACE THE MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. --BUT A "YES" VOTE FROM THE CITY COUNCIL **TONIGHT**, WOULD MAKE THE ORDINANCE TAKE EFFECT IN 90-DAYS.

## **CONSUMER ISSUES**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** AS THE ECONOMY REBOUNDS, MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE TOASTING TO BETTER TIMES WITH A GLASS OF THEIR FAVORITE FINE WINE. BUT WHILE THOSE IN THE WINE INDUSTRY ARE THRILLED WINE LOVERS ARE BACK AT THE TABLE.....THEY'RE FACED WITH A NEW DILEMA....A SHORTAGE OF WINE GRAPES. BEN SHARP OF CAPTURE WINES IN SONOMA COUNTY....SAYS HIS WINERY'S IN GOOD SHAPE...BUT HE SAYS MANY OTHER LOCAL WINE PRODUCERS ARE SCRAMBLING TO SECURE ENOUGH GRAPES TO MEET THE SUDDEN DEMAND. GROWER RON WICKER SAYS ON ONE HAND IT'S A WELCOME TURNAROUND...HE SAYS HE'S FIELDING A DOZEN OFFERS FOR HIS SUPPLY OF CHARDONNAY. BUT HE SAYS GROWERS WHO WANT TO PLANT MORE ARE OUT OF LUCK. NURSERIES DON'T HAVE THE PLANT MATERIAL FOR NEW VINES TO BE PLANTED. THOSE IN THE WINE INDUSTRY SAY GOOD THING WINE LOVERS ARE WILLING TO SPEND ONCE AGAIN...THE DAYS OF FINE WINES AT BARGAIN PRICES ARE OVER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** SMART METER PROTESTORS GREETED PG&E SHAREHOLDER'S ARRIVING FOR THEIR ANNUAL MEETING TODAY. THE GROUP HELD SIGNS AND CHANTED... CALLING FOR AN END TO THE USE OF SMART METERS WHICH THEY CLAIM LEAD TO HEALTH PROBLEMS AND AN EXHORBITANT INCREASE IN THEIR UTILITY BILL. ONE MEMBER WENT INSIDE THE MEETING TO PRESENT THE SHAREHOLDERS WITH A PETITION ASKING THAT THEY CONSIDER DROPPING THE OPT OUT FEE FOR THE SMART METER. RIGHT NOW...IT COSTS 75 DOLLARS TO HAVE THE DEVICE REMOVED AND THERE IS A 10 DOLLAR MONTHLY OPT OUT FEE THEREAFTER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/16/12 REPORTED...** THAT 12-PACK OF SODA -- MIGHT COST A LOT MORE. RICHMOND VOTERS WILL NOW DECIDE WHETHER TO TAX SUGARY DRINKS SOLD IN THEIR CITY. THE CITY COUNCIL DECIDED TO PLACE THE MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. IF PASSED IT WOULD IMPOSE A BUSINESS LICENSE FEE OF ONE CENT PER ONE OUNCE OF SUGAR SWEETENED BEVERAGES SOLD LOCALLY. THAT'S ALMOST \$1.50 'MORE' PER 12-PACK. THE OTHER BALLOT ITEM IS AN ADVISORY MEASURE TO USE THE TAX'S PROCEEDS FOR SPORTS AND HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS AIMED AT RICHMOND YOUTH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/16/12 REPORTED...** A COUPLE OF GIANTS STARS TOOK THE FIELD EARLIER THAN USUAL TODAY. BUSTER POSEY AND RYAN VOGELSONG PARTICIPATED IN A PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT CAMPAIGN ON VIDEO GAME RATINGS. MAKING PARENTS AWARE WHEN BUYING GAMES FOR THEIR FAMILIES. THE CAMPAIGN ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO USE THE RATING SYSTEM, WHICH ASSIGNS THE OFFICIAL AGE AND CONTENT RATINGS FOR BOTH COMPUTER AND VIDEO GAMES. THE P-S-A'S, WILL SOON BEGIN TO RUN ON T-V, RADIO AND ON THE BIG SCREEN IN AT&T PARK DURING GAMES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/17/12 REPORTED...** A WAR OVER WATER IS BOILING IN THE SOUTH BAY. THE SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY WANTS TO HIKE ITS RATES BY ABOUT 44-PERCENT OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS. CUSTOMERS WHO DON'T LIKE THE IDEA WILL GET A CHANCE TO WEIGH IN ON THE PROPOSAL, MONDAY NIGHT AT A PUBLIC HEARING AT THE CORINTHIAN EVENT CENTER ON NORTH THIRD STREET. A TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER -- WHO USES ABOUT 750 GALLONS OF WATER A MONTH -- CAN EXPECT THEIR BILL TO GO UP NEARLY 30-DOLLARS ... BY 2015. THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION HAS THE FINAL SAY ON THIS RATE HIKE PROPOSAL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/17/12 REPORTED...** PEOPLE LIVING IN ONE EAST BAY CITY ARE USING LESS WATER AND PRODUCING LESS TRASH. THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS. BUT SOON, THE REWARD FOR THEIR CONSERVATION EFFORT WILL BE HIGHER RATES FOR THOSE SERVICES. BEGINNING JULY 1, THE CITY OF LIVERMORE WILL BEGIN CHARGING UP TO 6-DOLLARS A MONTH MORE FOR RESIDENTIAL TRASH PICKUP. COMMERCIAL RATES WILL JUMP 13-PERCENT. WATER RATES WILL INCREASE 9-PERCENT AND AT LEAST ANOTHER 4-AND-A-HALF PERCENT NEXT YEAR. THE INCREASE WILL AMOUNT TO 10-DOLLARS A MONTH. THE RATE HIKES

WILL HELP OFFSET THE LOSS OF REVENUE BECAUSE RESIDENTS ARE CONSERVING MORE WATER AND PRODUCING LESS TRASH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** THERE'S A NEW TAX MAKING THE ROUNDS IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE THAT WOULD AFFECT STRIP CLUBS. THE BILL WOULD REQUIRE A TEN DOLLAR TAX FOR EVERY CUSTOMER THAT VISITS A STRIP CLUB SERVING ALCOHOL. THE TAX WOULD GENERATE 35-MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR FOR RAPE CRISIS CENTERS, RAPE KITS AND SERVICES FOR THE VICTIMS OF HUMAN SEX TRAFFICKING. SPONSORS OF THE BILL ARGUE SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES, LIKE STRIP CLUBS, CONTRIBUTE TO SEXUAL VIOLENCE. LAST YEAR, 30-THOUSAND WOMEN, MEN AND CHILDREN TURNED TO RAPE CRISIS CENTERS IN CALIFORNIA. SUPPORTERS SAY THE TAX WOULD ALSO HELP PROCESS THOUSANDS OF RAPE KITS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/25/12 REPORTED...** DON'T WANNA WAIT IN THOSE LONG AIRPORT SECURITY LINES...HERE'S A SOLUTION -- IF YOU'RE WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE.YOU MIGHT REMEMBER THE \*CLEAR CARDS\* FROM A FEW YEARS AGO, WHEN TRAVELERS COULD BUY THE CARDS WHICH WOULD ALLOW THEM TO BY-PASS LONG AIRPORT SECURITY LINES.THE COMPANY WENT BANKRUPT, BUT NEW OWNERS HAVE MADE \*SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL\* THE THIRD AIRPORT TO ADOPT THE CARDS, AFTER ORLANDO AND DENVER. SO FAR THERE'S NO PLAN TO LAUNCH THE FAST-PASSES IN SAN JOSE, ALTHOUGH IT WAS THE FIRST AIRPORT TO USE THE TECHNOLOGY IN 2007. MEMBERSHIP COSTS 179-DOLLARS A YEAR. 229-DOLLARS FOR FAMILIES.

#### **CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY, ELDERLY, MEN & WOMEN**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...**A DIRTY SYRINGE HAS INJECTED AN EAST BAY NEIGHBORHOOD WITH CONCERN -- NOT ONLY ABOUT THE HAZARD, BUT ALSO ABOUT THE RESPONSE FROM OAKLAND SCHOOLS. IT HAPPENED LAST WEEK AT THE 'HIGHLAND CHILDREN'S CENTER' -- ON '86TH AVENUE' NEAR 'A STREET.' A BOY PRICKED HIMSELF WITH THE SYRINGE HE FOUND DURING WHILE ATTENDING AN AFTERNOON SCHOOL PROGRAM. PARENTS SAY OAKLAND UNIFIED DIDN'T INFORM THEM OR TAKE PREVENTATIVE MEASURES TO CLEAN UP THE PLAYGROUND UNTIL THIS WEEK. THE DISTRICT IS SENDING OUT A LETTER ABOUT THE INCIDENT TO PARENTS TODAY. THE CHILD IS UNDERGOING H-I-V AND HEPATITIS TREATMENTS AS A PRECAUTION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** A SAFETY WARNING AFTER A SUNDAY STROLL TOOK A VIOLENT TURN IN THE EAST BAY. TONIGHT... POLICE IN LIVERMORE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR THE MAN WHO ATTACKED A WOMAN ON A BIKE PATH. INVESTIGATORS SAY HE APPROACHED HER JUST AFTER TWO IN THE AFTERNOON, NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF COLLEGE AVENUE AND SOUTH "L" STREET. HE INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS "GABE" AND AS THEY WERE TALKING ... THE WOMAN SAYS HE PULLED HER CLOSE ... THEN GRABBED HER INAPPROPRIATELY. THE VICTIM YELLED -- AND HER ATTACKER -- TOOK OFF. POLICE DO NOT BELIEVE THIS CASE IS LINKED TO A SERIES OF SEXUAL BATTERIES TARGETING FEMALE JOGGERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** IN HEALTH MATTERS..MOMS OF OVERWEIGHT CHILDREN MAY NOT EVEN REALIZE THAT THEIR KIDS ARE OVERWEIGHT. A NEW STUDY FINDS THAT NEARLY TWO-THIRDS OF MOTHERS WITH TODDLERS INCORRECTLY PERCEIVED THEIR CHILD'S SIZE. MOST MOMS, INCLUDING THOSE WITH OVERWEIGHT CHILDREN, ACTUALLY THOUGHT THEIR KIDS WERE TOO SMALL. RESEARCHERS SAY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS TO KNOW IF THEIR CHILDREN ARE OVERWEIGHT FOR THEIR AGE TO PREVENT OBESITY IN ADULTHOOD.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** SIX SAN RAMON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE MADE IT TO THE GLOBAL FINALS FOR "DESTINATION IMAGINATION" - A COMPETITION FOR CREATIVITY AND PROBLEM SOLVING. THE GROUPS WHICH CALLS THEMSELVES "THE SUNNY SILVER KIDS" COMPETED ALONG WITH 100-THOUSAND OTHERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO MAKE IT TO THE FINALS. THE FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADERS WROTE AND ACTED OUT THEIR OWN PLAY...ALONG WITH A TALKING ROBOT THAT THEY DESIGNED THEMSELVES. THE KIDS WILL NOW TRAVEL TO KNOXVILLE TENNESEE FOR THE FINALS AT THE END OF THE MONTH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/10/12 REPORTED...** TIME MAGAZINE DECIDED TO GIVE ATTACHMENT PARENTING A CHECKUP... GUIDELINES THAT INCLUDE BREAST FEEDING BEYOND INFANCY...WERE FIRST PUBLISHED IN THE BABY BOOK BY DR WILLIAM SEARS...IN 1992...BUT THE MODEL ON THE COVER WITH HER SON, WAS RAISED THIS WAY BY HER MOTHER BEFORE THE BABY BOOK WAS EVER PUBLISHED. IN HER FIRST EVER INTERVIEW JAIMIE'S MOM MARGIE MORJIG TOLD ME, SHE NURSED HER DAUGHTER UNTIL SHE WAS SIX...MARGIE'S OTHER DAUGHTER WAS ONLY NURSED FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS HER SON A FEW MONTHS...JAMIE WAS ONE OF SEVERAL 'ATTACHMENT PARENTING' MOMS THAT TIME PHOTOGRAPHED ... BUT HER'S IS THE IMAGE... AND THE STAGING WITH HER SON ON A CHAIR ...THAT HAS WHIPPED UP WEB REACTION WELL IN ADVANCE OF HER NEWSTAND DEBUT. SNIDE REMARKS, DISGUST, AND DEFENCE...BUT THE MOM OF THE MOM JUST WANTS HER DAUGHTER AND GRANDCHILD TO BE RESPECTED AND THE PRACTICE OF BREASTFEEDING BEYOND INFANCY-- WHICH IS RECOMMENDED BY THE WOROLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION...TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR ITS BENEFITS...

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** A VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION IN THE EAST BAY TODAY... WHERE AN OAKLAND WOMAN PARTIED ON HER 111TH BIRTHDAY. \*DOMINGA VELASCO\* TOLD US SHE WAS SURPRISED TO BE SURROUNDED BY SO MANY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE WAS BORN IN JALISCO, MEXICO IN 1901. A FAVORITE FAMILY STORY IS THAT WHILE THERE, SHE MET THE FAMOUS REBEL, PANCHO VILLA. DOMINGA MADE THAT JOURNEY AT AGE 16, AND MARRIED HER HUSBAND HERE. SHE WORKED NEARLY ALL HER LIFE-- IN THE CANDY BUSINESS AS A CHOCOLATE DIPPER, THEN AS A RESTAURANT OWNER. HER POSITIVE OUTLOOK AND IMPACT ON THE FRUITVALE COMMUNITY LED TO A STATUE BEING DEDICATED IN HER HONOR AT A NEARBY PARK. THE PLAQUE ON THE STATUE APTLY SAYS, "FOLLOW ME."

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** MOST REALITY T-V SHOWS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN-- -- AND YET THEY'RE INFLUENCING WHAT WE NAME OUR BABIES. "JACOB" TOPS THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION'S 2011 LIST OF THE MOST POPULAR BABY NAMES-- FOLLOWED BY MASON -- THE NAME OF KOURTNEY KARDASHIAN'S SON. SINCE HIS BIRTH IN 2009, HIS NAME HAS STEADILY CLIMBED THE LIST. WILLIAM, JAYDEN AND NOAH ROUND OUT THE TOP FIVE. "MICHAEL" CAME IN SIXTH -- ITS LOWEST RANKING SINCE 1948. FOR GIRLS -- "SOPHIA" IS TOPS. AND HERE'S THE INFLUENCE OF THE \*TWILIGHT SERIES\*-- ISABELLA IS NUMBER-TWO-- --FOLLOWED BY EMMA, OLIVIA, AND AVA. EXPERTS SAY \*GIRL NAMES\* TEND TO CHANGE MORE FROM YEAR TO YEAR THAN BOYS' NAMES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/15/12 REPORTED...** JEN SCHAEFER IS EXPECTING HER SECOND CHILD IN SEPTEMBER. BECAUSE SHE'S 38 SHE OPTED TO DO SOME TESTING..JEN CONSIDERED AMNIOCENTESIS, BUT WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE RISK OF MISCARRIAGE... ESTIMATED TO BE AS HIGH AS ONE IN 300. INSTEAD ON THE SAME DAY THIS ULTRASOUND IMAGE OF HER BABY BOY WAS TAKEN.. JEN TOOK A SIMPLE BLOOD TEST. THE NEW HARMONY PRENATAL TEST WAS DEVELOPED HERE AT ARIOSIA DIAGNOSTICS IN SOUTH SAN JOSE. THE TEST LOOKS AT THE BABY'S DNA. AFTER WAITING TWO WEEKS, JEN RECEIVED HER RESULTS... THE RESULTS GAVE HER THE CONFIDENCE TO SKIP INVASIVE AMNIOCENTESIS. LUCILE PACKARD CHILDRENS HOSPITAL IS ONE OF THE FIRST IN THE NATION TO OFFER THE NEW HARMONY TEST TO PATIENTS. JEN SAYS THE TEST GAVE HER PEACE OF MIND DURING PREGNANCY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/17/12 REPORTED...** THEY COME TO SAN JOSE'S ALMA SENIOR CENTER FOR THE LAUGHS AND THE FRIENDS THEY'VE MADE OVER THE YEARS. THIS IS WHERE THERESA BENITEZ AND HER FRIENDS GET A HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE MEAL. BUT OVER THE LAST YEAR, THERE'VE BEEN MORE WALKERS HERE. THAT'S BECAUSE THE CITY ELIMINATED ITS SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM. SENIORS SAY THEY'RE UNDER ATTACK BY BUDGET CUTS. ON FRIDAY, HUNDREDS OF THEM WILL MEET WITH THEIR STATE LAWMAKERS IN THEIR DISTRICT OFFICES, TO LITERALLY TELL THEM TO HONOR THEIR ELDERS. SEVERAL OF LETICIA MARTINEZ'S FRIENDS WITH THE GROUP PACT WILL LOBBY THEIR STATE LAWMAKERS. THEY'LL MENTION MARTINEZ'S 94 YEAR OLD MOTHER WHO RECENTLY INJURED HERSELF. MARTINEZ SAYS HELP IS VIRTUALLY NON EXISTENT ANY MORE FOR SENIORS LIKE HER, AND HER MOTHER. THE FOLKS AT THE ALMA CENTER ARE ALSO PLANNING A RALLY OF THEIR OWN ON MONDAY AT SAN JOSE CITY HALL. THEY'LL BRING THEIR WALKERS. THERESA BENITEZ SAYS THAT'S JUST FINE BECAUSE SHE'S NOT GOING TO TAKE THE CUTS TO SENIORS, SITTING DOWN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** AN ALARMING REPORT OUT TONIGHT SHOWS ALMOST 25% OF U-S TEENS ARE DIABETIC OR PRE-DIABETIC. A DECADE AGO...IT WAS NINE PERCENT. TEENS WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND HIGH CHOLESTEROL - ARE ALSO AT GREATER RISK FOR A HEART ATTACK OR A STROKE AS ADULTS. THE STUDY IS PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL OF PEDIATRICS.

#### **CRIMES-FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL, LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** ANOTHER BACKYARD DIG COURTESY... THE SPEED FREAK KILLERS. THE SEARCH FOR MORE VICTIMS CONTINUED FOR A SECOND DAY TODAY ...AT A HOME IN LINDEN. THE SEARCH CENTERED JUST 10-MILES FROM A COVERED WELL, WHERE REMAINS WERE FOUND EARLIER THIS YEAR. THE PROPERTY INCLUDES A HOUSE ONCE OWNED BY CONVICTED KILLER LOREN HERZOG. IT'S BELIEVED FEDERAL AGENTS MAY BE LOOKING FOR A MISSING RENO WOMAN, TERRI ANN FOURCHER. SHE VANISHED IN 1996. HERZOG KILLED HIMSELF AFTER HIS PARTNER, WESLEY SHERMANTINE, REVEALED THE LOCATION OF SEVERAL BONEYARDS TO A BOUNTY HUNTER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** AN OVERNIGHT MANHUNT IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ENDED WITH A DEADLY CAR CRASH. A 19- YEAR OLD MAN FLED FROM OAKLEY TO BETHEL ISLAND WHERE OFFICERS SPENT SEVERAL HOURS LOOKING FOR HIM. POLICE IN OAKLEY TRIED TO PULL HIM OVER FOR A TRAFFIC VIOLATION, THAT'S WHEN HE TOOK OFF. OFFICERS SAY THE SUSPECT SHOT AT THEM ON BETHEL ISLAND AND ENDED UP CRASHING HIS CAR INTO A DELTA CANAL. THIS MORNING, AFTER A LONG SEARCH, POLICE FOUND THE CAR. THE SUSPECT WAS DEAD INSIDE, WITH A SELF-INFLICTED GUNSHOT WOUND.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/4/12 REPORTED...** THEY'RE ACCUSED OF FIRING SHOTS INTO A CROWD OF PEOPLE. TONIGHT, POLICE IN THE SOUTH BAY NEED YOUR HELP TO FIND THE SUSPECTS. MILPITAS POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR UP TO FIVE SUSPECTS INVOLVED IN LAST NIGHT'S SHOOTING ON SHILOH AVENUE. THAT'S EAST OF 680 BETWEEN BEN RODGERS PARK AND PIEDMONT ROAD. THEY SAY THE GROUP OF MEN DROVE UP TO A HOME IN A BEIGE SEDAN. TWO MEN EXITED THE CAR. ONE OF THEM FIRED INTO A CROWD OF PEOPLE. NO ONE WAS INJURED. IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE SHOOTING, YOU'RE URGED TO CALL POLICE.



**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** A TERRIFYING ORDEAL FOR AN EAST BAY FAMILY. AFTER ROBBERS INVADDED THEIR HOME ...HOLDING THEM AT GUNPOINT. POLICE SAY IT HAPPENED JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT IN WALNUT CREEK. INVESTIGATORS SAY TWO MEN AND TWO WOMEN TARGETED A HOME ON COUNTRYWOOD COURT. WE'VE LEARNED THE WOMEN FIRST APPROACHED THE BACK OF THE HOUSE TO ASK TO USE THE PHONE. THAT'S WHEN BOTH MEN JOINED THE WOMEN FROM A HIDDEN POSITION BEFORE ENTERING THE HOME. THE VICTIMS WERE NOT HURT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** AN ALERT FOR SOME PENINSULA PARENTS. POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR A MAN WHO EXPOSED HIMSELF TO A 13-YEAR OLD GIRL IN MOUNTAIN VIEW. THE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF RENGSTROFF AVENUE AND CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY...AS THE GIRL WAS WALKING HOME FROM CRITTENDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL. THE GIRL SAYS SHE WAS THE VICTIM OF THE SAME CRIME, JUST OVER A YEAR AGO. POLICE SAY THE SUSPECT IN LAST YEAR'S CASE APPEARS TO BE THE SAME MAN. HE IS DESCRIBED AS BEING IN HIS 50'S, WITH LONG GREY HAIR AND A GREY MUSTACHE. POLICE SAY THE MAN WAS WEARING A BLACK BASEBALL CAP, SUNGLASSES AND A GREY T-SHIRT IN BOTH INCIDENTS. THE SUSPECT WAS IN A RED JEEP, POSSIBLY A CHEROKEE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/10/12 REPORTED...** STOPPING A GET OUT OF JAIL \*EARLY\* CARD... THE GROUP -- \*MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING \* IS LOBBYING AGAINST A BILL THAT WOULD ALLOW CALIFORNIANS CONVICTED OF DRUNK DRIVING -- TO SKIP OUT ON JAIL TIME AND COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. THE BILL'S AUTHOR, ASSEMBLYMAN ROGER HERNANDEZ, WAS IRONICALLY CHARGED WITH DRUNK DRIVING JUST LAST WEEK. THE CHARGE STEMS FROM AN ARREST IN CONCORD... BACK IN MARCH. THE BILL WOULD ALLOW EVEN A REPEAT D-U-I OFFENDER TO ATTEND PARENTING CLASSES OR CLASSES ON HOW TO FIND A JOB INSTEAD OF GOING TO JAIL. THEY WOULD EVEN BE ALLOWED TO SERVE THEIR JAIL TIME AT THEIR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT -- EIGHT HOURS AT WORK WOULD EQUAL EIGHT HOURS OF JAIL TIME. THE GROUP \*MADD\* SAYS TAKING AWAY THE JAIL TIME, TAKES AWAY THE DUI PUNISHMENT AND DETERRENT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** WE ARE FOLLOWING A MASSIVE CRIME-FIGHTING SWEEP THROUGHOUT THE EAST BAY. IN ALL, 32 SUSPECTS ARE IN POLICE CUSTODY AS A RESULT OF A FEDERAL AND STATE, MULTI-AGENCY EFFORT LAST WEEK. EIGHT TEAMS OF OFFICERS BROUGHT IN THE SUSPECTS. THEY ALSO RECOVERED SEVERAL GUNS. THE SUSPECTS ARE WANTED FOR SERIOUS CRIMES, INCLUDING: MURDER, FELONY ASSAULT, ROBBERY AND BURGLARY. NO ONE WAS INJURED DURING THE THREE-DAY SWEEP. POLICE CHIEF HOWARD JORDAN ALSO TOLD REPORTERS HIS DEPARTMENT WON'T BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN SUCH A MASSIVE SWEEP IN THE FUTURE, DUE TO BUDGET CUTS IN OAKLAND.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/17/12 REPORTED...** PROTECTING PETS. THAT'S THE GOAL OF NEW LEGISLATION THAT WOULD LIMIT THE RULES LANDLORDS COULD IMPOSE ON THEIR RENTERS. UNDER THE BILL -- LANDLORDS WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO REQUIRE RENTERS TO DECLAW OR DEBARK THEIR PETS. IT CLEARED THE STATE SENATE, TODAY. IF THEY VIOLATE THE RESTRICTIONS -- THEY COULD FACE A ONE-THOUSAND DOLLAR FINE -- FOR EACH PET. THE LAWMAKER WHO AUTHORED THE BILL SAYS THE SURGERIES CAN CAUSE PHYSICAL HARM TO PETS -- AND EMOTIONAL HARM -- TO THEIR OWNERS.

## **DIVERSITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** REFUSING TO LEAVE. PROTESTORS -- OCCUPYING FARMLAND OWNED BY U-C BERKELEY -- HAVE IGNORED A DEPARTURE DEADLINE. THE UNIVERSITY SAID IF THEY LEFT THE PROPERTY IN ALBANY OVER THE WEEKEND, THE GROUP COULD PARTICIPATE IN FUTURE TALKS, ABOUT USING PART OF IT FOR FARMING. APPARENTLY -- THAT ULTIMATUM WAS IGNORED. ABOUT 200 SQUATTERS CLAIM THEY'RE TRYING TO PROTECT THE TEN ACRE SITE FROM DEVELOPMENT. ADMINISTRATORS SAY THEY MAY HAVE TO RESORT TO MORE FORCEFUL TACTICS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** A PROTEST TODAY IN FREMONT OVER THE FUTURE OF A SCENIC ROADWAY. AT ISSUE... WHETHER NILES CANYON ROAD, SHOULD BE WIDENED. THE POPULAR SEVEN-MILE STRETCH LINKS FREMONT WITH 680. SOME RESIDENTS FROM FREMONT AND SUNOL PICKETED OUTSIDE A CALTRANS MEETING TO LET THE STATE KNOW THEY DON'T WANT THE ROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS \*HIGHWAY 84\* CHANGED. CALTRANS WANTS TO WIDEN THE CURVY TWO-LANE ROAD TO MAKE IT SAFER FOR CARS --AND BICYCLES. -- BUT THE PLAN INVOLVES CUTTING-DOWN HUNDREDS OF TREES AND POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO NEARBY ALAMEDA CREEK CALTRANS MET WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS. OTHER SUGGESTIONS INCLUDE ADDING MORE RUMBLE STRIPS, SIGNALS AND PERHAPS MEDIAN BARRIERS AS AN ALTERNATIVE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** IF YOU'RE FLYING OUT OF SFO ... YOU MIGHT BE PERSONALLY GREETED ... BY UNITED AIRLINES PILOTS. THEY'RE AT ODDS W/ THEIR OWN COMPANY -- AND ARE SPREADING THE WORD ..THE PILOTS SAY THEY MADE BIG SACRIFICES AFTER SEPTEMBER 11TH TO SAVE THE STRUGGLING AIRLINE, BUT HAVE NOW BEEN WORKING UNDER THE SAME CONTRACT FOR NINE YEARS. AND WHILE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN GETTING RAISES, UNITED EXECUTIVES HAVE CONTINUED TO HIKE THEIR OWN PAY. THE PILOTS ARE ALSO CONCERNED THAT MUCH OF UNITED'S BUSINESS IS BEING OUTSOURCED TO SMALLER REGIONAL AIRLINES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** THE UNITED NATIONS IS URGING THE U-S TO ADDRESS A HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE-- NOT OVERSEAS -- BUT IN SOUTH DAKOTA! THE FAMED LANDMARK, MOUNT RUSHMORE, WITH ITS CARVED IMAGES OF FOUR PRESIDENTS, IS ON LAND CONSIDERED SACRED BY SEVERAL NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES. IN 1868, THE U-S GAVE THEM RIGHTS TO IT -- BUT CONGRESS TOOK IT BACK SEVEN-YEARS LATER WHEN GOLD WAS DISCOVERED. A U-N INVESTIGATOR NOW RECOMMENDS THE LAND BE RESTORED TO THE SIOUX TRIBES. THEY REJECTED AN OFFER OF PAYMENT FROM THE GOVERNMENT IN 1980, SAYING THEY'D RATHER HAVE THE PROPERTY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** TODAY MARKED THE FIRST EVER "MUSLIM DAY" AT THE STATE CAPITAL. MEMBERS OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY VISITED WITH LAWMAKERS, AND EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR TWO PROPOSED LAWS. BOTH BILLS WOULD GUARD AGAINST RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PROFILING IN THE WORK PLACE AND BY POLICE OFFICERS. GROUP LEADERS SAY THE EVENT AIMS TO ENGAGE MEMBERS OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY WITH LAWMAKERS. THEY PLAN ON HOLDING THE EVENT EVERY YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** NEW TONIGHT AT SIX. SAN FRANCISCO TEACHERS ARE SET FOR A STRIKE VOTE THIS WEEK. THEY ARE ANGRY OVER THE DISTRICT'S DEMAND TO CUT 30-MILLION DOLLARS FROM TEACHERS SALARIES AND BENEFITS, OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS. TEACHERS HELD A PROTEST OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

BOARD HEADQUARTERS IN SAN FRANCISCO. THE EMPTY CHAIRS REPRESENT THE 600 OR SO LAYOFF NOTICES THAT WENT OUT TO TEACHERS AND THEIR AIDS ON MARCH 15TH. THE TEACHERS BELIEVE THE DISTRICT HAS THE MONEY TO APPROVE A TWO PERCENT RAISE AND RESCIND THE NOTICES. THE DISTRICT SAYS IT HAS NO OTHER CHOICE. THE FINAL LAYOFF NOTICES WILL GO OUT BEFORE THE MAY 15TH DEADLINE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** CALIFORNIA LAWMAKERS HAVE JUST VOTED TO BAN A CONTROVERSIAL FORM OF PSYCHOTHEAPY ... AIMED AT MAKING GAY PEOPLE STRAIGHT TODAY. THE BAN IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE COUNTRY .. AND WILL PROHIBIT "SO-CALLED" REPARATIVE THERAPY FOR MINORS. SUPPORTERS SAY THE LEGISLATION IS NECESSARY BECAUSE THE TREATMENT DOESN'T WORK AND IS HARMFUL. BUT SOME RELIGIOUS GROUPS SAY THE LAW WOULD INTERFERE WITH A PARENTS RIGHT TO SEEK APPROPRIATE PSYCHOTHEAPY FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** A NEW GALLUP POLL SHOWS HALF OF AMERICANS BELIEVE SAME SEX COUPLES SHOULD GET THE SAME MARRIAGE RIGHTS AS HETEROSEXUALS. 50- PERCENT SAY SAME SEX MARRIAGES SHOULD BE LEGAL, WHILE 48- PERCENT DO NOT AGREE. IT'S DOWN SLIGHTLY FROM LAST YEAR'S 53%, BUT IT MARKS THE SECOND TIME IN THE GALLUP'S HISTORY OF THIS QUESTION THAT AT LEAST HALF OF AMERICANS SUPPORT LEGAL SAME SEX MARRIAGE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/11/12 REPORTED...** CALIFORNIA DOES NOT HAVE A \*HOMEOWNER'S BILL OF RIGHTS.\*BUT ATTORNEY GENERAL KAMALA HARRIS WANTS ONE-- AFTER HAVING TO CLEAN-UP SO MANY CASES OF HOUSING FRAUD. IN FEBRUARY, CALIFORNIA WAS AWARDED A SETTLEMENT OF 18-BILLION DOLLARS FROM FIVE OF THE NATIONS' LARGEST HOME-LENDERS. NOW HARRIS WANTS PERMANENT LAWS THAT WILL REGULATE THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS, LOAN MODIFICATIONS, AND PENTALTIES FOR VIOLATORS. LAWMAKERS HAVE TRIED TO PASS SUCH LAWS BEFORE, BUT MORTGAGE BANKERS AND THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY HAVE OPPOSED THOSE ATTEMPTS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/18/12 REPORTED...** IT'S A LITTLE STRANGE...BUT WE LOVE IT THAT WAY. THE BAY TO BREAKERS. THIS YEAR -- THE WACKY RACE TURNS 101 YEARS OLD. KEEPING THE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ON THEIR BEST BEHAVIOR IS ALWAYS A CHALLENGE. SFPD BE OUT IN FULL FORCE FOR SUNDAY MORNING'S RACE. THEIR JOB IS TO "ENFORCE FUN" BUT ALSO TO ENFORCE TWO BANS ADOPTED LAST YEAR. A ZERO-TOLERANCE POLICY ON ALCOHOL AND A BAN ON FLOATS. SAN FRANCISCO IS EXPECTING ABOUT 50-THOUSAND RUNNERS TO TAKE PART IN THIS YEAR'S RACE. THROUGH THE YEARS -- ALL 100 OF THEM -- IT'S ESTIMATED NEARLY TWO MILLION PEOPLE HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE 12-K.

### **EDUCATION**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...**IN EDUCATION HEADLINES -- A PLEA FOR HELP, FROM THE STATE'S PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION CHIEFS. THEY ARE ASKING FOR MORE MONEY IN NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET. TODAY -- THE LEADERS OF THE U-C, C-S-U AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM -- DELIVERED THAT MESSAGE TO LAWMAKERS IN SACRAMENTO. THEY SAY -- WITHOUT MORE REVENUE -- THEY'LL BE FORCED TO TURN AWAY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS. PLUS -- CUT CLASS OFFERINGS AND RAISE TUITION EVEN HIGHER. GOVERNOR BROWN IS PROMOTING A TAX HIKE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. HE SAYS HIGHER EDUCATION WOULD AVOID FURTHER CUTS IF VOTERS APPROVE IT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** IN EDUCATION HEADLINES...THE FIGHT TO KEEP COLLEGE COSTS DOWN CAME TO THE SOUTH BAY. A UNITED STATES CONGRESSWOMAN JOINED SAN JOSE COLLEGE STUDENTS TO RALLY AGAINST RISING

FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN RATES. DEMOCRATIC REPRESENTATIVE ZOE LOFGREN OF SAN JOSE APPEARED DURING THE STUDENT RALLY TODAY AT SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY. BOTH CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS REMAIN AT ODDS ABOUT HOW TO KEEP THE CURRENT 3.4 PERCENT INTEREST RATE FROM DOUBLING ON JULY FIRST. IF STUDENT LOAN RATES DOUBLE, ONLY FUTURE LOANS WILL BE AFFECTED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** IF YOU HAVE SPENT ANY TIME IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL RECENTLY YOU KNOW FINDING A WEEKLY ART CLASS IS LIKE A FINDING A PICASSO ...NOT LIKELY. BUT A NEW STATE-WIDE CAMPAIGN IS TRYING TO CHANGE THAT. ON CLASS ACTION SUNDAY AT 9:30 A-M YOU CAN SEE MY FULL INTERVIEW ABOUT "CREATE CALIFORNIA." BACKERS INCLUDE THE BOEING CORPORATION, THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/4/12 REPORTED...** SOME BAY AREA TEACHERS ARE TAKING STEPS TO CALL A STRIKE AS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ARE AT A STANDSTILL. TEACHERS WITH SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL MEET NEXT WEEK FOR THE FIRST OF TWO VOTES THAT WOULD AUTHORIZE LEADERS TO CALL A STRIKE. BOTH SIDES REMAIN AT ODDS OVER SPENDING CUTS, FURLOUGH DAYS AND 600 PENDING LAYOFFS. THE TEACHERS UNION SAYS THE DISTRICT HAS ENOUGH MONEY IN RESERVE TO PREVENT LAYOFFS AND GIVE TEACHERS A RAISE FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 2008. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SAYS THAT MONEY IS NEEDED TO OFFSET STATE BUDGET CUTS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** GET READY TO DIG DEEPER. MORE TUITION HIKES ... COULD BE ON THE WAY FOR CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS. UNIVERSITY LEADERS SAY THE 10-CAMPUS SYSTEM WILL BE FORCED TO LOOK AT SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASING COSTS. IF THE STATE DOESN'T INCREASE FUNDING AND VOTERS DON'T APPROVE GOVERNOR BROWN'S TAX INITIATIVE ... RIGHT NOW, IT'S CONSIDERING A PLAN TO RAISE TUITION BY SIX PERCENT THIS FALL. BOARD MEMBERS ARE SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS WAYS OF PREVENTING AN INCREASE .. NEXT WEEK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/10/12 REPORTED...** HAPPENING RIGHT NOW -- SAN FRANCISCO TEACHERS ARE VOTING ON WHETHER TO ALLOW THEIR UNION TO CALL A STRIKE. THE SIX THOUSAND MEMBER UNION IS TAKING THE FIRST OF TWO STRIKE AUTHORIZATION VOTES. THE DISTRICT WANTS TO CUT 30 MILLION DOLLARS FROM TEACHERS' SALARIES AND BENEFITS OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS. THE UNION INSTEAD WANTS A TWO PERCENT "RAISE" FOR TEACHERS. THERE ARE ONLY THREE WEEKS LEFT IN THE SCHOOL YEAR, BUT IT'S ENOUGH TO CALL A STRIKE. THE UNION SAYS SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOLS ARE SITTING ON AN 80- MILLION DOLLAR PILE OF CASH. BUT, THE DISTRICT SAYS THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/10/12 REPORTED...** THE FEDERAL EDUCATION LAW, \*NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND\* IS ABOUT TO BE-- LEFT BEHIND -- BY STATE EDUCATION LEADERS. CHAMPIONED BY PRESIDENT GEORGE W-BUSH IN 2001, THE LAW MANDATED THAT EVERY CHILD BE AT \*GRADE LEVEL\* IN MATH AND READING BY 2014. NOW, CALIFORNIA IS JOINING THE 37-OTHER STATES THAT HAVE SOUGHT RELIEF FROM THE STRICTEST PARTS OF THE LAW. THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION VOTED TODAY TO ASK THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR A WAIVER FROM CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS. ELEVEN STATES ALREADY HAVE BEEN EXCUSED FROM MEETING THE 2014 TARGET, AND ANOTHER 27 HAVE APPLIED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** A BAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT IS AT THE HEART OF A NEW LAWSUIT AGAINST THE STATE -- IN WHICH SEVEN CHILDREN CLAIM EDUCATION LAWS PROTECT BAD TEACHERS-- AND HURT THEIR EDUCATION. THE LAWSUIT IS SPONSORED BY THE NONPROFIT GROUP, \*STUDENTS MATTER.\* IT NAMES TWO SCHOOL DISTRICTS, LOS ANGELES AND THE ALUM ROCK UNION DISTRICT IN EAST SAN JOSE. THE SUIT CLAIMS STATE LAWS, PARTICULARLY THE \*TENURE TRACK\*, TENDS TO KEEP INEFFECTIVE TEACHERS IN THE CLASSROOM-- ESPECIALLY IN SCHOOLS WITH POOR, MINORITY

STUDENTS. A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPOKESMAN SAYS IT HAS NOT YET SEEN THE LAWSUIT, SO COULD NOT COMMENT.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** THERE WASN'T A SPECK OF SNOW ON THE GROUND TODAY AS THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES CONDUCTED ITS FINAL SNOW SURVEY OF THE WINTER. THE SNOWPACK WATER CONTENT IS JUST 40- PERCENT OF NORMAL FOR THIS TIME OF THE YEAR. BUT SOME GOOD NEWS: WATER OFFICIALS SAY RESERVOIRS ARE STILL NEARLY FULL FROM LAST YEAR, WHICH IS GOOD FOR THE SUMMER WATER SUPPLY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** IN EDUCATION HEADLINES A STRIKE MAY BE COMING. C-S-U TEACHERS HAVE VOTED TO "AUTHORIZE" A SERIES OF 2-DAY STRIKES IF A NEW CONTRACT CANNOT BE REACHED. NEGOTIATIONS WITH ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN GOING ON FOR THE PAST 22-MONTHS, BUT THE TWO SIDES HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH A DEAL NOT EVEN CLOSE. A C-S-U STRIKE WOULD BE THE BIGGEST STRIKE OF UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES IN U-S HISTORY. MORE THAN 24-THOUSAND FACULTY ARE EMPLOYED ON THE STATE'S 23 CAMPUSES. MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED THIS WEEK TO TRY TO GET CONTRACT TALKS BACK ON TRACK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** AND THIS MORNING -- A FIELD TRIP TO THE STATE CAPITOL FOR SOUTH BAY STUDENTS AND TEACHERS WHO LOBBIED FOR BETTER EDUCATION. MEMBERS OF THE 100 PLUS GROUP SAT FACE TO FACE WITH STATE LEGISLATORS TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT EDUCATION CUTS. FOR MANY IT WAS NOT THEIR FIRST TIME TAKING THE ANNUAL ROAD TRIP. THIS IS THE 10TH ANNUAL BUS RIDE FOR EDUCATION. IT'S ORGANIZED BY SANTA CLARA COUNTY SUPERVISOR DAVE CORTESE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS TOOK TO THE SKIES TODAY... IN A BLIMP. THEY'RE SEARCH FOR METEORITES THAT RAINED DOWN ON PARTS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA LAST MONTH. FROM THE AIR, THE RESEARCHES FROM NASA AND THE SETI INSTITUTE IN MOUNTAIN VIEW -- HOPE TO SPOT SITES WHERE LARGE FRAGMENTS FELL AND FOLLOW UP WITH A SEARCH ON THE GROUND... AS OF NOW -- MOST OF THE PIECES RECOVERED HAVE BEEN SMALL -- ABOUT THE SIZE OF A DOUBLE A BATTERY... BUT SCIENTISTS SAY -- THERE HAVE TO BE BIGGER FRAGMENTS OUT THERE. SO JUST HOW POWERFUL WAS IT? NASA ESTIMATED THE MINIVAN-SIZED METEOR RELEASED ENERGY EQUAL TO ONE-THIRD THE EXPLOSIVE POWER OF THE ATOMIC BOMB DROPPED ON HIROSHIMA DURING WORLD WAR TWO.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/16/12 REPORTED...** THE FIGHT OVER SOLAR ENERGY IS HEATING UP. ADVOCATES ARE URGING LAWMAKERS TO MAINTAIN AND EXPAND "NET ENERGY METERING" -- A SYSTEM WHERE CONSUMERS RECEIVE RETAIL CREDIT FOR A PORTION OF THE ELECTRICITY THEY GENERATE. DOZENS OF SUPPORTERS GATHERED IN SACRAMENTO TODAY... THEY CLAIM "NET ENERGY METERING" IS THE DRIVING FORCE OF THE INDUSTRY AND A MAJOR INCENTIVE FOR CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS. THE STATE'S MAJOR UTILITIES ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE "NET METERING" AVAILABLE TO CUSTOMERS -- BUT STATE LAW SETS THE CAP AT 5-PERCENT. LATER THIS MONTH -- THE C-P-U-C IS EXPECTED TO VOTE ON A PROPOSAL THAT WOULD RAISE THAT CAP TO ALMOST 10-PERCENT. BIG UTILITY COMPANIES ARE AGAINST IT -- BUT SOLAR ENERGY SUPPORTS ARE PUSHING FOR IT. P-G AND E AND OTHERS CLAIM IF THAT CAP IS RAISED, RESIDENTS \*NOT\* USING SOLAR WILL BE FORCED TO PAY HIGHER MONTHLY RATES FOR THEIR ELECTRICITY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/23/12 REPORTED...** LOS ANGELES WILL SOON BECOME THE LARGEST CITY IN THE U-S TO BAN PLASTIC BAGS AT GROCERY STORES. THE L-A CITY COUNCIL APPROVED THE PLAN EARLIER TODAY. FIRST, AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT MUST BE COMPLETED AND AN ORDINANCE MUST BE ADOPTED. LOS ANGELES WOULD JOIN 48 OTHERS CALIFORNIA CITIES THAT ALREADY BANNED PLASTIC BAGS -- INCLUDING, QUITE RECENTLY, SAN JOSE. SANITATION OFFICIALS SAY L-A, AND ITS 4-MILLION RESIDENTS, USE AN ESTIMATED 2-POINT-7 BILLION SINGLE-USE BAGS A YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/28/12 REPORTED...** AND THAT HAS CONTRA COSTA FIRE DISTRICT BATTALION CHIEF TERRY STEWART VERY WORRIED ....STEWART SAYS THIS YEAR'S LACK OF RAIN HAS TURNED THINGS BROWN AND DRY EXTRA EARLY MAKING THE BAY AREA'S VEGETATION MORE FLAMMABLE THAN EVER....THE CONDITIONS HAVE LED TO AN EARLIER START TO FIRE SEASON....BEGINING TODAY CALFIRE STATIONS ACROSS THE BAY AREA ARE STAFFED AND READY TO ROLL CAL FIRE OFFICIALS SAY CONDITIONS ARE SO DANGEROUS THIS YEAR IT'S CRUCIAL FOR HOMEOWNERS TO DO THEIR PART. TO ADD FUEL TO THE SITUATION...FIRE STATIONS ACROSS THE BAY AREA AND STATE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO CUTBACK.... IT COULD ALL ADD UP TO ONE OF THE WORST FIRE SEASONS IN RECENT HISTORY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/28/12 REPORTED...** IT'S A SPECIAL DELIVERY NOBODY ORDERED...PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA ARE CARRYING RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION 6-THOUSAND MILES FROM JAPAN -- TO OUR SHORES HERE IN THE U-S. 15 OF THE TUNA CAPTURED BY RESEARCHERS TESTED POSITIVE FOR INCREASED LEVELS OF RADIOACTIVE CESIUM. SCIENTISTS AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY IN NEW YORK FOUND LEVELS 10-TIMES HIGHER THAN THE AMOUNT MEASURED IN TUNA OFF OUR COAST IN RECENT YEARS. IT'S STILL FAR BELOW WHAT'S CONSIDERED UNSAFE TO EAT. PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA FEED IN WATERS CONTAMINATED BY THE FUKUSHIMA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT DISASTER IN JAPAN LAST YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/28/12 REPORTED...** A RESCUE OF SOME KIND MAY BE NEEDED FOR CALIFORNIA'S SEQUOIA TREES-- THE OLDEST LIVING THINGS ON EARTH. A NEW SURVEY SHOWS THEIR PRIMARY HOME, SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, HAS THE WORST AIR POLLUTION OF ANY NATIONAL PARK IN THE COUNTRY. FROM JUNE-TO-SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, THE PARK VIOLATED AIR QUALITY STANDARDS AT LEAST 87-TIMES. LOCATED AN-HOUR SOUTH-EAST OF FRESNO, THE POLLUTION COMES FROM CENTRAL VALLEY FIRES, AND BUSY TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS-- FOR CARS AND TRAINS. PAST EFFORTS TO CLEAN-UP THE VALLEY AIR HAVE SEEN LITTLE PROGRESS.

### **GOVERNMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** THIS WAS A SURPRISE TRIP INTO KABUL. SECURITY WAS OBVIOUSLY TIGHT FOR THIS DANGEROUS VISIT TO THE VOLATILE COUNTRY. MISTER OBAMA FIRST WENT TO THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE, WHERE HE SIGNED A 10 YEAR PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH AFGHAN PRESIDENT "HAMID KARZAI". IT STICKS TO THE TIMELINE OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF NATO COMBAT TROOPS IN 20-14, BUT SAYS THE U-S WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT WITH COUNTER-TERRORISM EFFORTS AND TRAINING OF AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES. EARLIER IN THE DAY, THE PRESIDENT SPENT TIME WITH TROOPS AT BAGRAM AIR BASE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** SAN FRANCISCO'S BILL GRAHAM CIVIC AUDITORIUM IS KNOWN FOR STAGING BIG CONCERTS. BUT ITS NEW AFTERHOURS SHOW -- IS NOT MUSIC TO ANYONE'S EARS. THE BUILDING HAS BEGUN BLASTING THE SOUNDS OF JACKHAMMERS, CHAINSAWS AND MOTORCYCLES AT NIGHT TO KEEP THE HOMELESS FROM SLEEPING NEARBY. THE BUILDING'S OPERATOR, CALLED 'ANOTHER PLANET ENTERTAINMENT' SAYS IT'S FRUSTRATED W/ THE GATHERING OF HOMELESS PEOPLE -- WHICH THE NEARBY SYMPHONY AND BALLET ALSO HAVE TO DEAL WITH. THE MAYOR'S HOMELESS

DIRECTOR SAYS CIVIC CENTER'S HOMELESS POPULATION HAS RECENTLY INCREASED, FOLLOWING POLICE CRACKDOWN'S IN OTHER AREAS.. THE CITY SAYS IT'S MAKING AN OUTREACH PUSH TO GET MORE PEOPLE INTO SHELTERS. IRONICALLY, THE BILL GRAHAM CIVIC IS WHERE THE CITY HOLDS ITS 'PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT' TO HELP THE HOMELESS GET BACK ON THEIR FEET.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** THE ARMY'S "COMBATING TERRORISM CENTER" RELEASED 17 OF THE 6-THOUSAND DOCUMENTS SEIZED DURING LAST YEAR'S RAID ON BIN LADEN'S COMPOUND IN PAKISTAN. THEY CONFIRM THE FORMER AL QAIDA LEADER WAS PLANNING ANOTHER TERRORIST ATTACK, INCLUDING ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS ON PRESIDENT OBAMA AND FORMER COMMANDER OF NATO FORCES, GENERAL DAVID PETRAEUS. BIN LADEN FELT THAT WOULD PUT A QUOTE "UTTERLY UNPREPARED" VICE-PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN IN CHARGE -- PLUNGING THE U-S INTO CRISIS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** KHOI NGUYEN'S JOB IS TO MAKE SURE POLL WORKERS KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT THE JUNE FIFTH PRIMARY. POLL WORKERS WILL HAVE TO KNOW MORE THIS YEAR BECAUSE OF 2 CHANGES IN THIS PRIMARY. ONE CHANGE IS CALLED A TOP-TWO PRIMARY AND BECAUSE OF REDISTRICTING, SOME VOTERS MIGHT NOW BE VOTING IN A DIFFERENT DISTRICT. THIS MAN TOOK ADVANTAGE OF WHAT'S CALLED EARLY VOTING, AND CAST HIS BALLOT TODAY. THE SPECIAL ELECTION IS COSTING THE SANTA CLARA AND SARATOGA SCHOOL DISTRICTS ABOUT 172-THOUSAND DOLLARS EACH. BUT PERHAPS WORTH THE PRICE TAG IF THE SMALLER, TARGETED POOL OF VOTERS PASS THEIR BOND MEASURES. AT SAN JOSE STATE, THE GROUP WORKING PARTNERSHIPS WAS REACHING OUT TO YOUNG VOTERS TODAY. HOPING HIGHER TUITIONS AND UNEEMPLOYMENT GET THEM FIRED UP TO VOTE. AND IF THEY DO COME OUT TO THE POLLS. KHOI NGUYEN SAYS HIS PEOPLE WILL BE READY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/9/12 REPORTED...** TODAY.. IN AN INTERVIEW ON ABC PRESIDENT OBAMA BECAME THE FIRST SITTING PRESIDENT TO BACK GAY MARRIAGE..CHRISTINE MILLY OF SAN JOSE, WHO'S WANTED TO LEGALLY MARRY HER PARTNER FOR 28 YEARS WAS THRILLED TO HEAR THE PRESIDENT VOICE HIS SUPPORT OF GAY MARRIAGE..SO WERE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE IN SAN FRANCISCO WHO'VE FOUGHT FOR GAY MARRIAGE FOR YEARS. LOCAL LEADERS RESPONDED TODAY INCLUDING SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR ED LEE WHO TWEETED.... SO PROUD OF THE PRESIDENT IN SUPPORT OF MARRIAGE. LT. GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM...APPLAUDED THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS COURAGE.BUT NOT EVERYONE EMBRACED THE PRESIDENTS CHANGE OF HEART..HE PREDICTS OBAMAS COMMENTS WILL COST HIM THE ELECTION. IN SWING STATE COLORADO TODAY MITT ROMNEY SAID HIS POSITION HAS NOT CHANGED..BUT MANY OF THOSE FIGHTING FOR GAY MARRIAGE IN THE BAY AREA SAY HAVING THE PRESIDENTS SUPPORT COULD MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/9/12 REPORTED...** IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW W/ NBC BAY AREA IN MARCH -- OAKLAND MAYOR JEAN QUAN WAS DEFIANT... SAYING SHE WOULD FIGHT THE RECALL EFFORTS AGAINST HER. TODAY -- THE EMBATTLED MAYOR WENT ON THE OFFENSIVE -- AGAIN..THE MAYOR, BACKED BY A GROUP OF SUPPORTERS, HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE TO ADDRESS THE RECALL EFFORTS. SHE THANKED THOSE WHO STOOD BY HER, AND SAYS SHE'S TRYING TO STAY FOCUSED ON JOB CREATION AND CRIME PREVENTION. THE DEADLINE IS TOMORROW FOR OPPONENTS TO SUBMIT THE FIRST RECALL PETITION -- AND AT LAST COUNT, THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH SIGNATURES. ALSO-- POLLS SHOW A RECALL WOULD FAIL WITH VOTERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/18/12 REPORTED...** PRESIDENT OBAMA IS HOSTING THE G-8 SUMMIT AT "CAMP DAVID" IN MARYLAND, TODAY AND TOMORROW.THIS WILL BE THE LARGEST GATHERING OF WORLD LEADERS AT CAMP DAVID \*EVER\*. THE G-8 CONSISTS OF THE U-S, FRANCE, GREAT BRITAIN, GERMANY, ITALY, JAPAN, CANADA, AND RUSSIA. THE BIGGEST AGENDA? THE DEBT CRISIS IN GREECE. THE LEADERS WILL ALSO TALK ABOUT THE CONFLICT IN SYRIA, THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS CONCERNS IN IRAN, AND STRATEGY

IN AFGHANISTAN, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE MAIN TOPIC AT THE NATO SUMMIT IN CHICAGO, WHICH BEGINS ON SUNDAY. LARGE DEMONSTRATIONS ARE EXPECTED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** DID YOU REGISTER? TODAY IS THE LAST DAY FOR VOTERS TO SIGN UP TO VOTE AT THE POLLS IN THE JUNE 5TH CALIFORNIA PRIMARY. THIS YEAR, THE STATE WILL ROLL OUT ITS NEW "TOP TWO" PRIMARY SYSTEM WHICH MEANS VOTERS WILL SEE A SINGLE LIST OF CANDIDATES - REGARDLESS OF PARTY AFFILIATION -- ON STATE OFFICES. THAT MEANS TWO MEMBERS OF THE SAME PARTY COULD RUN AGAINST EACH OTHER IN THE GENERAL ELECTION. IF YOU MISSED TODAY'S DEADLINE...YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP TO VOTE BY MAIL UNTIL 7-DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/25/12 REPORTED...** FOLLOW THE MONEY. THE BAY AREA IS BECOMING A FAVORITE DESTINATION FOR PRESIDENT OBAMA, WHO WAS JUST HERE TO RAISE CAMPAIGN FUNDS. HE'S COMING BACK FOR MORE. THE PRESIDENT IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO THE BAY AREA WITHIN TWO WEEKS. HE'LL BE RAISING BIG MONEY AT AN EVENT IN SAN FRANCISCO JUNE 6TH... THE DAY AFTER THE CALIFORNIA PRIMARY. PRICES FOR THE EVENT ARE 5-THOUSAND DOLLARS A PERSON, 75-HUNDRED INCLUDES A PHOTO WITH MR. OBAMA. THE PRESIDENT RAISED FOUR-MILLION DOLLARS DURING HIS WHIRLWIND VISIT THIS WEEK.

#### **HEALTH/NUTRITION & DISEASE**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/2/12 REPORTED...** A RARE INFECTION LEADS TO THE DEATH OF A 25 YEAR OLD AT SAN FRANCISCO'S VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER. HE WAS INFECTED WITH MENINGITIS BACTERIA. NOW HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE INVESTIGATING THE DEATH, WHICH HAPPENED ON SATURDAY AFTER THE RESEARCHER WAS EXPOSED TO A TYPE OF BACTERIA, WHICH CAN CAUSE THE DISEASE. RESEARCHERS SAY -- THESE TYPE OF INFECTIONS ARE RARE. ONLY 16-CASES OF LABORATORY-ACQUIRED INFECTIONS HAVE BEEN RECORDED WORLDWIDE SINCE 1985.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** DOZENS OF PEOPLE IN THE BAY AREA FOUND THEMSELVES HERE...AT THEIR ALLERGISTS OFFICE TODAY. MANY ALLERGISTS PREDICT A HIGH POLLEN COUNT THIS SEASON. THE LATE RAINS HELPED PLANTS AND TREES PRODUCE MORE POLLEN...ADD SUNSHINE AND YOU HAVE A PERFECT STORM FOR YOUR SINUSES...EVEN KIDS LIKE THREE YEAR OLD DOMINIC MARTORANA ARE FEELING THE EFFECTS..BUT ALLERGIES CAN BE TREATED...DR. CHU HAS A SPECIAL POLLEN CATCHER AND PERSONALLY STUDIES THE ACTIVE POLLENS IN THE SOUTH BAY. HE SAYS RIGHT NOW POLLENS FROM GRASSES, OAK TREES AND MULBERRY TREES ARE CAUSING THE MOST DISCOMFORT FOR PEOPLE WITH ALLERGIES. UNFORTUNATELY FOR MOST FOLKS ...THEIR SYMPTOMS ARE LIKELY TO GET WORSE BEFORE THEY GET BETTER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** IT'S A FIRST FOR NATIONAL PIZZA CHAINS. TODAY DOMINO'S PIZZA ANNOUNCED THAT IT'S ADDING GLUTEN-FREE CRUST TO ITS MENU OFFERINGS. DOMINO'S, THE NATION'S LARGEST PIZZA DELIVERY CHAIN, SAYS THE MOVE WAS DRIVEN BY CUSTOMER REQUESTS. NEARLY 18-MILLION PEOPLE ARE GLUTEN-SENSITIVE.THE COMPANY SAYS THE NEW CRUST WILL LET THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM MILD GLUTEN INTOLERANCE ENJOY PIZZA AGAIN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/9/12 REPORTED...** AFTER FIVE YEARS, THE JUNK FOOD BAN IN CALIFORNIA'S SCHOOLS IS PAYING OFF. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOW CONSUME FEWER CALORIES, LESS FAT AND SUGAR THAN STUDENTS IN OTHER STATES. THEY'RE EATING NEARLY 160- CALORIES LESS IN SCHOOL CAFETERIAS. A DECADE AGO, CALIFORNIA BECAME THE FIRST STATE TO BAN SOFT DRINKS IN GRADE SCHOOLS, LATER IT BANNED THEM



IN HIGH SCHOOLS. CHILDHOOD OBESITY RATES HAVE MORE THAN TRIPLED IN THE U-S IN THE LAST FOUR DECADES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/9/12 REPORTED...** THE HOTTEST NEW WIEGHT LOSS TREATMENT- COULD ACTUALLY COME FROM AN INGREDIENT USED IN HOT SAUCE. DOCTORS AT "BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL" IN BOSTON APPLIED TINY CLOTHS SOAKED WITH A CAPSAICIN SOLUTION DIRECTLY TO THE NERVE AROUND THE STOMACHS OF LAB RATS. CAPSIACIN IS THE INGREDIENT THAT GIVES PEPPERS INTESE HEAT. IT DISRUPTED HUNGER SIGNALS TO THE BRAIN... AND HELPED MELT AWAY SO-CALLED "BAD FAT" THAT'S LOCATED IN THE ABDOMEN, AROUND THE ORGANS AND LIVER. IF THE PROCEDURE WORKS IN HUMANS- IT COULD BE A LESS INVASIVE TREATEMENT FOR OBESTIY THAN BARIATRIC SURGERY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/10/12 REPORTED...** A LANDMARK DECISION IN THE ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST H-I-V. AN ADVISORY PANEL TO THE F-D-A --- ENDORSED THE USE OF THE FIRST DRUG SHOWN TO PREVENT H-I-V INFECTION IN \*HEALTHY PEOPLE\*...THE DAILY PILL -- \*TRUVADA\* -- IS SOLD BY THE FOSTER CITY BASED COMPANY -- GILEAD (GIL-LEE-AD) SCIENCES. THE PANEL'S DECISION MARKS THE FIRST TIME THAT GOVERNMENT ADVISERS HAVE ADVOCATED GIVING ANTI-VIRAL MEDICINE TO HEALTHY PEOPLE. THE F-D-A IS NOT REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE PANEL'S ADVICE... A FINAL DECISION IS EXPECTED BY MID-JUNE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** IAN HERMAN IS HOPING HE'LL BE ABLE TO WEAR HIS CONTACTS SOON..AFTER AN EYE INFECTION FORCED HIM TO SWTICH TO GLASSES. ON TOP OF THAT IAN HAS ALLERGIES ..AND HAS BEEN TAKING ANTIHISTAMINES. OPTOMETRIST DR, JEANETTE LEE SAYS THOSE MEDICATIONS MAY HAVE PUT IAN AT RISK OF EYE INFECTIONS. SHE SAYS THE MEDICATIONS DRY OUT YOUR EYES,..MAKING CONTACT LENS WEARERS VULNERABLE. AND SHE SAYS LATELY SHE'S SEEN A LOT MORE PATIENTS LIKE IAN. SHE SAYS EVEN ALLERGY SUFFERERS WHO DONT WEAR CONTACTS ARE COMING IN WITH INFECTIONS.WITH THE POLLEN COUNT HIGH IN THE BAY AREA IAN STILL HAS TO TAKE ALLERGY MEDICATIONS... BUT NOW HE ALSO USES SPECIAL DROPS TO MOISTEN HIS EYES.....SO THEY WONT BECOME TARGETS FOR BACTERIA.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/15/12 REPORTED...** THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THAT YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO'S BATTLING ALHEIZMERS...AND TONIGHT -- THERES BIG NEWS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE DISEASE. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO BASED "GENENTECH" IS THE FIRST COMPANY TO GET APPROVAL TO TEST AN ALZHEIMERS \*PREVENTION DRUG ON PEOPLE WITH NO SIGNS OF DEMENTIA. THE DRUG WILL BE TESTED ON ABOUT 300 FAMILY MEMBERS FROM A SMALL REGION OF COLOMBIA. THE FAMILY IS BELIEVED TO HAVE THE HIGHEST RATE OF ALZHEIMERS IN THE WORLD. THE TRIAL IS BACKED BY A 16-MILLION DOLLAR GOVERNMENT GRANT AS PART OF THE "NATIONAL ALZHEIMER'S PLAN", ANNOUNCED TODAY BY THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION. THE PLAN AIMS TO FIND A TREATMENT FOR THE DISEASE BY 20-25.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/17/12 REPORTED...** IT'S ONE OF THE MOST PRESCRIBED ANTIBIOTICS ON THE MARKET. A NEW STUDY FINDS THAT A WIDELY USED ANTIBIOTIC, KNOWN AS "Z-PAK" OR "AZITHROMYCIN" COULD INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF SUDDEN DEATH IN ADULTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE HEART DISEASE OR ARE AT HIGH-RISK FOR IT. THE INCREASED ODDS OF DEATH ARE SMALL, BUT SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH THAT THE AUTHORS OF THE STUDY SAY DOCTORS SHOULD CONSIDER PRESCRIBING A DIFFERENT DRUG, LIKE AMOXICILLIN, FOR HIGH-RISK PATIENTS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/21/12 REPORTED...** A FEDERAL PANEL IS RECOMMENDING MEN AVOID A POPULAR TEST FOR PROSTATE CANCER BECAUSE THE RISKS OUT WEIGH THE BENEFITS FOR ALL AGE GROUPS. THE TEST IN QUESTION IS CALLED THE P-S-A BLOOD TEST.TWO RANDOM TRIALS OF THE TEST SHOWED IT HAD LITTLE LIFESAVING BENEFITS

AND IS OVER USED. GROUPS REPRESENTING CANCER DOCTORS AND PATIENTS OBJECTED TO THE PANEL'S RECOMMENDATION

### **NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS/SAFETY & SECURITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** 5 MEN IN OHIO ARE BEING HELD WITHOUT BAIL, FOR PLOTTING TO BLOW-UP A BRIDGE, JUST OUTSIDE OF DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND. THE F-B-I SAYS THEY BOUGHT, WHAT THEY THOUGHT WERE "WORKING" EXPLOSIVES, FROM AN UNDERCOVER AGENT. AND THEN LAST NIGHT, PLANTED THEM AT THE BRECKSVILLE BRIDGE AND TRIED TO DETONATE THE FAKE EXPLOSIVES. THEY WERE IMMEDIATELY ARRESTED. THE F-B-I SAYS THE PUBLIC WAS NEVER IN DANGER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/1/12 REPORTED...** NEW TONIGHT AT SIX NO LANDMINES ALLOWED -- PERIOD. T-S-A OFFICIALS FOUND THREE DISARMED LANDMINES IN A WOMAN'S BAGGAGE -- AS SHE PASSED THROUGH SECURITY AT A NEW JERSEY AIRPORT. SHE WAS CATCHING A FLIGHT TO SAN FRANCISCO. OFFICIALS AT \*NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT\* CONFISCATED THE \*CLAYMORE MINES\*... SEEN HERE... CLAYMORE MINES ARE LANDMINES THAT DISCHARGE STEEL FRAGMENTS. T-S-A OFFICIALS SAY TWO OF THE THREE CASINGS WERE PACKED WITH SHRAPNEL -- BUT NONE FEATURED EXPLOSIVES OR DETONATORS. THE WOMAN WAS NOT CHARGED. SHE TOLD SECURITY OFFICIALS SHE WAS ATTENDING AN EXPLOSIVES DEMONSTRATION. SHE WAS ALLOWED ON A LATER FLIGHT TO S-F-O -- WITHOUT THE LANDMINES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/3/12 REPORTED...** RUSSIA IS ISSUING A THREAT TO THE U-S TONIGHT. STOP CREATING A MISSILE-DEFENSE SYSTEM IN EUROPE, OR BE PREPARED FOR QUOTE "DESTRUCTIVE FORCE". RUSSIA SAYS THE SYSTEM, TO BE COMPLETED IN 20-20, WOULD UNDERMINE \*ITS\* MILITARY CAPABILITIES. NEGOTIATIONS, TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW BETWEEN THE U-S, NATO AND RUSSIA, ARE AT A STANDSTILL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/4/12 REPORTED...** IT CAN BE THE MOST FRIGHTENING AND DANGEROUS MANUEVER BEING DONE ON BAY AREA FREEWAYS.THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY RELEASED RESULTS OF THE FIRST-EVER SURVEY OF CALIFORNIA MOTORISTS AND MOTORCYCLE RIDERS ON THE SUBJECT OF "LANE SPLITTING." THAT'S WHEN MOTORCYCLES WHIZ BETWEEN TWO LANES WITH CARS RIGHT ALONGSIDE THEM. THE SURVEY SHOWED THAT OVER 50- PERCENT OF DRIVERS THINK THAT THAT LANE SPLITTING IS AGAINST THE LAW. 87- PERCENT OF MOTORCYCLE RIDERS SAY THEY LANE SPLIT. WHILE 7-PERCENT OF DRIVERS ADMIT TO HAVING ATTEMPTED TO PREVENT IT. CALIFORNIA IS THE ONLY STATE TO ALLOW LANE SPLITTING. ACCORDING TO NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY RESEARCH, MOTORCYCLISTS ARE ABOUT 39-TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE IN TRAFFIC CRASHES THAN PEOPLE IN CARS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** HUGO RODRIGUEZ WITH THE TRAVEL DIVISION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS THERE IS NO SPECIFIC CRITERIA OR MAGIC FORMULA...FOR ISSUING A TRAVEL ADVISORY. SO HE'S UNABLE TO TELL US - EXACTLY- HOW THE STATE DEPARTMENT MADE ITS DECISION TO ISSUE A TRAVEL WARNING IN 18 OF MEXICO'S 31 STATES. AND THOSE SOURCES...GIVE THE STATE DEPARTMENT CRIME STATISTICS. BUT THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T MAKE THEIR STATS PUBLIC BECAUSE OFFICIALS SAY THEY CAN'T GUARENTEE THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION. ACCORDING TO MEXICO'S ATTORNEY GENERAL...MEXICO HAD MORE THAN 28 THOUSAND HOMICIDES BETWEEN JANUARY AND SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR. LA REFORMA...ONE OF MEXICO'S LARGEST NEWSPAPERS REPORTS...MORE THAN 12 THOUSAND DRUG- RELATED KILLINGS LAST YEAR.THAT'S UP FROM AROUND 2-THOUSAND IN 2006.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/7/12 REPORTED...** WE'VE LEARNED THE ATTACK WAS SCHEDULED TO HAPPEN AROUND THE ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE KILLING OF OSAMA BIN LADEN, WHICH WAS LAST WEEK. THE DEVICE IS A MORE SOPHISTICATED VERSION OF THE UNDERWEAR BOMB THAT FAILED TO DETONATE ON A PASSENGER JET OVER DETROIT ON CHRISTMAS DAY IN 2009. THE ATTACK WAS BEING PLANNED BY AL-QAIDA'S AFFILIATE IN YEMEN, AND THE C-I-A CONFISCATED THE BOMB LAST MONTH. THE AGENCY SAYS THE WOULD-BE BOMBER HAD NOT YET CHOSEN WHICH FLIGHT OR BOUGHT ANY AIRLINE TICKETS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/8/12 REPORTED...** U-S OFFICIALS SAY A C-I-A INFORMANT INFILTRATED THE AL-QAIDA NETWORK. HE DID SUCH A GOOD JOB, HE WAS ACTUALLY CHOSEN TO BE THE SUICIDE BOMBER. HIS JOB? TO CONVINCE AL-QAIDA TO CREATE A NON-METALLIC BOMB THAT COULD PASS THROUGH AIRPORT SECURITY. IT WAS DESIGNED VERY SIMILAR TO THE UNDERWEAR BOMB IN 2009, THAT MALFUNCTIONED ON A U-S PASSENGER JET, OVER DETROIT. U-S OFFICIALS SAY THIS LATEST ONE, CONTAINED THE EXPLOSIVE CHEMICAL, "LEAD [[LED]] AZIDE". IT WAS THE SAME CHEMICAL USED TO DETONATE THE PRINTER CARTRIDGE BOMBS, PLACED ON U-S BOUND CARGO PLANES IN 2010. THAT PLOT FAILED, AFTER U-S OFFICIALS WERE TIPPED-OFF. THE INFORMANT GOT THE BOMB OUT OF YEMEN AND HANDED IT OVER TO U-S OFFICIALS. THE PENTAGON SAID AIRPORT SCREENERS IN THE U-S WOULD HAVE PROBABLY DETECTED IT. BUT ACCORDING TO A HOMELAND SECURITY EXPERT, THE PROBLEM IS ... SECURITY OVERSEAS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/14/12 REPORTED...** IT HAS BEEN 20 MONTHS SINCE A PG&E NATURAL GAS PIPELINE RUPTURED IN SAN BRUNO... KILLING EIGHT PEOPLE... AND THE PAIN IS STILL RAW. LAWMAKERS...WHO REPRESENT VICTIMS OF THAT BLAST... SAY LEGISLATION TO KEEP UTILITIES FOCUSED ON SAFETY... IS THEIR PRIORITY. OUTSIDE PG&E'S ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING..PENINSULA LAWMAKER JERRY HILL OUTLINED ASSEMBLY BILL 861... WHICH WOULD KEEP UTILITIES FROM USING RATEPAYER'S MONEY FOR EXECUTIVE BONUSES. IT WOULD ALSO ALLOW THE STATE TO TAKE BACK BONUSES FROM THE HEADS OF UTILITIES THAT HAVE BEEN FINED FOR SAFETY VIOLATIONS. HILL SAYS HE IS OUTRAGED BY WHAT HAPPENED IN 2011 WHEN HE CLAIMS FORMER PG&E CEO PETER DARBEE LEFT THE COMPANY WITH A 39 MILLION DOLLAR SEVERNCE PACKAGE...AMIDST THE AFTERMATH OF THE SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2010 PIPELINE BLAST. TONY EARLEY/PG&E CEO PG&E'S CEO TONY EARLEY SAYS THE LEGISLATION IS UNECESSARY SINCE THE COMPANY ALREADY USES SHAREHOLDER MONEY TO FOR EXECUTIVE'S INCENTIVE PATYMENTS. EARLEY SAYS THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SETTLING CLAIMS WITH THE VICTIMS OF THE EXPLOSION. AS THE BATTLES CARRY ON IN COURT AND IN THE LEGISLATURE... FAMILIES IN SAN BRUNO ARE SLOWLY MOVING BACK INTO THE AFFECTED NIEGHBORHOOD. TWO FAMILIES ARE ALREADY HOME...THREE OTHERS WILL BE COMING HOME SOON... AND 23 OTHERS ARE IN THE STAGES OF REBUILDING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 5/22/12 REPORTED...** NORTH KOREA SPITTING-OUT FIGHTING WORDS TONIGHT, THE COUNTRY SAID IT WILL CONTINUE TO BOLSTER ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM \*IF\* THE U-S BECOMES MORE HOSTILE. YESTERDAY, THE U-S THREATENED THE COUNTRY WITH MORE SANCTIONS IF IT CONDUCTED ANOTHER NUCLEAR MISSILE TEST.

###

## **KNTV/NBC Bay Area**

### **Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Second Quarter June 2012**

**KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affairs programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.**

#### **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...**THE LATEST NATIONAL JOB NUMBERS ARE OUT .. AND THEY'RE UGLY. THE LABOR DEPARTMENT SAYS ONLY 69 THOUSAND JOBS WERE CREATED LAST MONTH...WELL BELOW WHAT ANALYSTS EXPECTED....RAISING THE NATIONAL JOBLESS RATE TO 8-POINT-2 PERCENT. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE BAY AREA? OUR BUSINESS AND TECH REPORTER SCOTT BUDMAN FINDS LOCALLY THERE IS BOTH STRUGGLE .. AND STRENGTH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...** THOSE LATEST "NATIONAL" JOB NUMBERS SPARKED A HUGE SELLOFF ON WALL STREET TODAY. STOCKS SUFFERED THEIR WORST DROP OF THE YEAR ... SLIDING 274 POINTS, LOSING ALL OF ITS GAINS FOR THE YEAR. THE NASDAQ LOST NEARLY THREE PERCENT OF ITS VALUE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** APRIL UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS SHOW THE JOBLESS RATE DROPPED IN EVERY BAY AREA COUNTY. MARIN LEAD THE WAY, WITH SIX-POINT-FOUR-PERCENT, THE LOWEST RATE IN THE AREA. SOLANO'S RATE IS THE HIGHEST, AT TEN-POINT-TWO-PERCENT. SANTA CLARA COUNTY'S EIGHT-POINT-TWO PERCENT IS THE LARGEST DROP FOR A BAY AREA COUNTY OVER THE PAST YEAR. CONTRA COSTA COUNTY'S RATE IS NOW NINE-POINT-ONE-PERCENT. ALAMEDA COUNTY IS JUST BELOW THAT -- AT EIGHT-POINT-NINE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** CALTRAIN COULD GET AN EXPENSIVE MAKE-OVER -- IF A LOCAL GROUP OF ANALYSTS GET ITS' WAY. THEIR IDEA IS TO ELECTRIFY THE COMMUTER RAIL SERVICE. THE \*BAY AREA COUNCIL ECONOMIC INSTITUTE\* SAYS COMBINING ELECTRICITY WITH OTHER UPGRADES TO CALTRAIN WOULD CREATE THOUSANDS OF CONSTRUCTION JOBS, INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES, AND GENERATE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN ECONOMIC BENEFITS. IT WOULD ALSO BE A FASTER, QUIETER, CLEANER TRAIN. AND IN THE LONG RUN, IT WOULD ALLOW **HIGH-SPEED RAIL** TO OPERATE ON THE SAME TRACKS, MAKING USE OF MILES OF EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. PENINSULA LEADERS SAY THE NEXT STEP IS TO GET STATE LAWMAKERS ON BOARD THE PLAN, TO HELP WITH FINANCING.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** IT'S A POLITICAL HOT POTATO FOR PRESIDENT OBAMA. IT APPEARS FREMONT-BASED "SOLYNDRA" DOWNPLAYED THE SCOPE OF ITS LAYOFFS WHEN IT CLOSED LAST AUGUST. AT THE TIME, THE SOLAR PANEL COMPANY SAID IT WAS LAYING OFF 11-HUNDRED EMPLOYEES....BUT THE BAY CITIZEN REPORTS THAT U.S. LABOR DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS SHOW CLOSER TO 19-HUNDRED WORKERS LOST THEIR JOBS. THE DOCUMENTS ALSO SHOW SOLYNDRA INCREASED PRODUCTION IN 2011, EVEN THOUGH IT DIDN'T SELL ALL THE SOLAR PANELS IT MADE THE PREVIOUS YEAR. ANALYSTS SAY IT MAKES SOLYNDRA'S DOWNFALL EVEN MORE CONTROVERSIAL. THE COMPANY FAILED EVEN AFTER GETTING A 535-MILLION DOLLAR FEDERAL LOAN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/21/12 REPORTED...** MORE MONEY -- IS COMING TO SAN FRANCISCO RESIDENTS HOPING TO WORK IN THE CITY'S GROWING TECHNOLOGY SECTOR. THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SELECTED SAN FRANCISCO FOR THE THREE-MILLION DOLLARS IN \*WORKFORCE INNOVATION GRANTS. THIS IS ON TOP OF FIVE-MILLION DOLLARS GIVEN TO THE CITY IN MARCH. SAN FRANCISCO'S MOSCONE CENTER SUPPORTS ABOUT 70-THOUSAND JOBS A YEAR-----BUT IT NEEDS TO GROW IF IT'S GOING TO CONTINUE TO DRAW THE BIGGEST AND MOST LUCRATIVE CONVENTIONS. SINCE IT OPENED IN 1981, THE CENTER HAS HOSTED EVERYTHING FROM CAR SHOWS, TO STORM TROOPERS-- AND MAC-WORLD CONFERENCES WHERE STEVE JOBS -- ONCE RULED THE STAGE. MAYOR LEE TODAY ANNOUNCED A 25-YEAR MASTER PLAN FOR EXPANDING MOSCONE-- WITH THE FIRST PHASE TO BE FINISHED IN 2018.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/27/12 REPORTED...** MEANWHILE, THE LATEST FIGHT IN THE TABLET WAR IS WON BY APPLE. SALES OF SAMSUNG'S GALAXY TABLET ARE ON HOLD HERE IN THE U.S. A JUDGE HAS APPROVED A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION, WHILE THE COURT DECIDES IF THE TABLET IS A RIP-OFF, OF APPLE'S POPULAR I-PAD. THE JUDGE SAYS, APPLE HAS BUILT A STRONG CASE .... AND CALLS THE TWO TABLETS "VIRTUALLY INDISTINGUISHABLE." SAMSUNG SAYS IT IS DISAPPOINTED WITH THE COURT'S DECISION. THE RULING IS A SMALL PART OF A MUCH LARGER PATENT BATTLE, BETWEEN THE TWO TECH GIANTS, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO GO TO TRIAL NEXT MONTH, IN SAN JOSE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** WALL STREET IS RELIEVED, TONIGHT AFTER A LATE RALLY. THE STOCK MARKET REBOUNDED FOLLOWING AN AGREEMENT BY EUROPEAN FINANCIAL LEADERS -- TO RESCUE BANKS AND PROVIDE HELP TO DEBT-RIDDEN GOVERNMENTS. THE DOW CLIMBED 278 POINTS TODAY. THE S-AND-P HAD ITS BEST DAY OF THE YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** LIKE... THEN WANT? IT COULD BE AN ADVERTISERS DREAM COME TRUE. A DEVELOPER SAYS HE FOUND NEW WORDING IN FACEBOOK'S CODE THAT INDICATES THE SOCIAL NETWORKING SITE COULD BE TESTING A "WANT" BUTTON. THE DEVELOPER TRANSFERRED THE CODE TO HIS WEBSITE, AND SAYS IT LOOKS SIMILIAR TO FACEBOOK'S "LIKE" BUTTON AND WOULD LET USERS \*SHOW\* THEIR FRIENDS ITEMS THEY "WANT" TO BUY. NO COMMENT FROM FACEBOOK.

### **CONSUMER ISSUES**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/8/12 REPORTED...** MONDAY IS "GAME DAY" FOR 49ER SEASON TICKET HOLDERS, WHO WANT TO SCORE SEATS AT THE TEAM'S NEW STADIUM IN SANTA CLARA. THAT'S WHEN CURRENT SEASON TICKET HOLDERS CAN BEGIN MARKING THEIR TERRITORY. FIRST THINGS FIRST -- THEY MUST BUY A "STADIUM BUILDERS LICENSE" -- TO RESERVE THEIR SPOT. THE ONE-TIME LICENSE FEE RANGES FROM TWO-THOUSAND TO 12-THOUSAND DOLLARS. SEASON TICKET HOLDERS WILL THEN PAY 85 TO 200-DOLLARS PER GAME FOR A SEAT -- IN SOME CASES -- DOUBLE THE PRICE OF A SEAT IN A SIMILAR SECTION AT CANDLESTICK PARK. THE NINERS SAY THE NEW PRICES ARE IN LINE WITH WHAT PEOPLE ARE PAYING AT OTHER NEW NFL STADIUMS. THE 49ERS STADIUM IN SANTA CLARA IS SET TO OPEN IN 2014.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** A BIRDS EYE VIEW .. FROM UP ON TOP OF THE MASSIVE STEEL MAINTENANCE TRAVELERS BUILT FOR THE NEW BAY BRIDGE - OUT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TONIGHT. THE TRAVELERS ARE SUSPENDED MORE THAN 20-FEET IN THE AIR IN SANTA FE SPRINGS RIGHT NOW. THEY'RE UNDERGOING CRUCIAL TESTING BEFORE BEING PLACED ON THE BRIDGE IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY. ONCE COMPLETE THE NEW BAY BRIDGE WILL BE THE WORLD'S LARGEST SELF ANCHORED SUSPENSION BRIDGE. THE FIVE TRAVELERS COST MORE THAN 12 MILLION DOLLARS. EACH WILL PROVIDE CREWS WITH ACCESS TO THE BRIDGE FOR MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY CHECKS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** THE 2012 CALIFORNIA BALLOT IS GETTING MORE CROWDED. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFIED TWO MORE INITIATIVES TODAY. VOTERS WILL DECIDE WHETHER TO REQUIRE MANDATORY LABELING ON FOODS THAT CONTAIN GENETICALLY MODIFIED INGREDIENTS. EUROPE REQUIRES GMO LABELING NOW, BUT THE U.S. DOES NOT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** IT'S NOT A BOOM YET, BUT HOUSING EXPERTS SAY THEY'RE SEEING SIGNS OF LIFE IN THE BAY AREA AREAL ESTATE MARKET. MAY NUMBERS SHOW BIG GAINS IN ALL TYPES OF HOUSES --WITH PRICE INCREASES IN NEARLY EVERY COUNTY. DATAQUICK RESEARCH SHOWS ALAMEDA, SANTA CLARA AND SAN MATEO COUNTIES TURNED IN THEIR STRONGEST MAY SALES OF SINGLE FAMILY HOMES SINCE THE HOUSING CRASH IN 2006. ALSO NOTABLE... IT WAS THE HIGHEST MAY IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY SINCE 2010. WHILE THE NUMBERS OF BUYERS IS INCREASING, EXPERTS SAY IT COULD BE YEARS BEFORE PEOPLE WHO'VE LOST EQUITY IN THEIR HOMES WILL SEE THE VALUE RETURN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** GOOD NEWS FOR MOST OF THE COUNTRY...BUT NOT FOR US. GAS PRICES HAVE DROPPED FOR THE 10TH WEEK IN A ROW AND THE **NATIONWIDE** AVERAGE IS NEARING \*3-50\* A GALLON. BUT **NOT** HERE ON THE WEST COAST. WE'RE THE ONLY REGION IN THE COUNTRY WHERE THE AVERAGE PRICE STILL TOPS FOUR-BUCKS A GALLON. IN SAN FRANCISCO, GAS WILL RUN YOU ABOUT \$4.13 A GALLON. IN OAKLAND, THE AVERAGE IS \$4.01. AND IN SAN JOSE, PRICES HAVE ACTUALLY DROPPED BELOW THE FOUR-DOLLAR MARK TO \$3.99 PER GALLON.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/21/12 REPORTED...** A VERY UNWELCOME GREETING TODAY FOR GOOGLE EMPLOYEES AND SHAREHOLDERS...AS THEY GATHERED FOR THEIR ANNUAL MEETING TODAY. A TROUPE OF MIMES CALLING THEMSELVES "THE GOOGLE TRACK TEAM" FROM THE CONSUMER WATCHDOG PRIVACY PROJECT -- "TRACKED" PEOPLE AS THEY REGISTERED AND WAITED FOR SHUTTLE BUSES TO GOOGLE HEADQUARTERS. THE SO-CALLED "TRACK TEAM" SAYS TODAY'S DEMONSTRATION IS INTENDED TO HIGHLIGHT HOW GOOGLE IS RECORDING EVERYTHING CONSUMERS DO ON THE INTERNET. ORGANIZERS ARE CALLING FOR LEGISLATORS TO APPROVE STRONGER "DO NOT TRACK" LEGISLATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** GOOD NEWS FOR THE HOUSING INDUSTRY. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE BUYING NEW HOMES IS ON THE RISE. THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT SAYS NEW HOME SALES ARE UP NEARLY 8-PERCENT FROM APRIL TO MAY. THATS THE BIGGEST INCREASE IN NEARLY 2-YEARS. TODAY'S REPORT ALSO FINDS THE MEDIAN SALES PRICE OF A HOME IS UP NEARLY 6-PERCENT FROM THIS TIME LAST YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** A GLITCH IN ONLINE CONVIENIENCE. CALIFORNIA'S DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES' WEBSITE HAS BEEN DOWN SPORADICALLY SINCE MONDAY... AND THAT HAS THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE COMPLAINING THAT THEY'VE MISSED THEIR CAR REGISTRATION DEADLINE AND ARE FACING LATE PENALTIES. THE DMV HAS HAD MORE THAN A DOZEN COMPUTER RELATED PROBLEMS SO FAR THIS YEAR. A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE DMV SAYS THEY AREN'T EXACTLY SURE WHAT WENT WRONG THIS TIME, BUT THEY ARE TRYING TO CORRECT THE PROBLEM. THE DMV SAYS THEY WILL "WORK WITH CUSTOMERS WHO WERE CHARGED LATE FEES DUE TO THE DELAYS...ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS."

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** TOYOTA'S PROBLEMS WITH UNINTENDED ACCELERATION JUST WON'T GO AWAY-- AND FEDERAL REGULATORS ARE ORDERING ANOTHER RECALL. 154-THOUSAND LEXUS S-U-V's ARE GETTING RECALLED BY THE N-T-S-B, WHICH SAYS THEIR FLOOR MATS CAN TRAP THE GAS PEDAL-- CAUSING THE VEHICLES TO SPEED UP WITHOUT WARNING. THE SPECIFIC MODELS ARE THE 2010 LEXUS R-X 350---AND THE R-X 450-H. TOYOTA SAID OWNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL IN EARLY AUGUST, AND DEALERS WILL FIX THE PROBLEM FOR FREE.

### **CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY, ELDERLY, MEN & WOMEN**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** SOME GOOD NEWS FOR OLDER DADS. A NEW STUDY FROM NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SAYS CHILDREN W/ OLDER DADS -- MAY GET A HEALTH BENEFIT. SOMETHING CALLED "TELOMERES"), WHICH ARE THE TIPS ON THE ENDS OF CHROMOSOMES THAT PROTECT A PERSON'S GENES FROM CELL DAMAGE. AS YOU AGE, SHORTEN. AND THE OLDER THE MAN IS WHEN HE BECOMES A FATHER, THE LONGER THE TELOMERES HIS CHILDREN WILL HAVE. HAVING LONGER TELOMERES COULD LEAD TO BETTER HEALTH AND LONGER LIVES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** POLICE ON THE BIG ISLAND OF HAWAII ARE INVESTIGATING THE DEATH OF A BAY AREA MAN, WHO MAY HAVE DROWNED. POLICE SAY 50- YEAR OLD PAUL TSANG FROM SAN FRANCISCO WAS SNORKELING ALONG THE KOHALA COAST OFF MAUNA LANI BEACH CLUB. SOMEONE ON SHORE NOTICED HE WAS FLOATING. A MAN ON A PADDLEBOARD WENT OUT TO CHECK ON HIM AND FOUND HIM UNRESPONSIVE. HE WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL WHERE HE WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD. AN AUTOPSY WILL BE DONE TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF DEATH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** A SAN JOSE MAN WHO HAS WORKED WITH VULNERABLE CHILDREN FOR YEARS IS NOW A SUSPECTED CHILD PREDATOR. INVESTIGATORS SAY 33-YEAR-OLD WAKING [[JOAQUIN ]] BAILEY SEXUALLY MOLESTED TWO YOUNG GIRLS IN HIS CARE, AS WELL AS AN 18-YEAR-OLD WOMAN, WITH THE MENTAL AGE OF A KINDERGARTNER. POLICE FEAR THERE MAY BE OTHER VICTIMS. BAILEY PREVIOUSLY WORKED AS A STAFF MEMBER AT EASTFIELD MING QUONG -- A FACILITY IN LOS GATOS, WHICH HOUSES CHILDREN WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF THE COURT. HE HAS ALSO WORKED AT ACHIEVE KIDS -- A FACILITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED IN SAN JOSE. BAILEY WAS FORMALLY CHARGED, TODAY. ANYONE WITH INFORMATION ON THIS CASE IS ENCOURAGED TO CALL POLICE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** A 26-YEAR OLD OAKLAND MAN IS ON LIFE SUPPORT AFTER BEING SHOT WHILE BEHIND THE WHEEL ON AN EAST BAY FREEWAY.THE SHOOTING HAPPENED LATE LAST NIGHT, ON 580 NEAR FRUITVALE AVENUE IN OAKLAND. THE MAN'S BROTHER WHO WAS A PASSENGER, WAS NOT HURT. THE FREEWAY HAD TO BE SHUTDOWN FOR SEVERAL HOURS DURING THE INVESTIGATION. POLICE ARE ASKING ANYONE WITH INFORMATION TO GIVE THEM A CALL. A REWARD OF UP TO 15- THOUSAND DOLLARS IS BEING OFFERED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** SILICON VALLEY TECHNOLOGY IS MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR A PREGNANT WOMAN TO IDENTIFY THE FATHER OF HER BABY AS EARLY AS THE EIGHTH WEEK. EXPERTS SAY IT'S MUCH BETTER THAN WAITING FOR THE BIRTH OF THE BABY TO DO THE TEST-- BECAUSE CHILD SUPPORT AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE DECIDED. \*NATERA\*, HEADQUARTERED IN REDWOOD CITY, IS ONE OF TWO COMPANIES WHICH CAN TEST BLOOD SAMPLES FROM THE MOTHER, AND ONE OF THE CANDIDATES FOR FATHER AND DETERMINE PATERNITY. THE NEW YORK TIMES REPORTS THE TESTS ANALYZE D-N-A FRAGMENTS. THAT EARLY KNOWLEDGE IS COSTLY THOUGH-- WITH THE TESTS RUNNING ABOUT 17-HUNDRED DOLLARS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/21/12 REPORTED...** TWO BAY AREA TEENAGERS -- RECEIVED CONGRESS' HIGHEST HONOR FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. \*DIMITER RADONOV\* (dim-eee-ter rad-on-ov) AND \*LAUREN ALPER\* WERE AMONG THE 276 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN HONORED WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL AWARD GOLD MEDAL -- IN WASHINGTON D-C YESTERDAY. RADONOV FROM TIBURON -- WAS CHOSEN FOR HIS VOLUNTEER WORK AS AN EDUCATION ADVOCATE. ALPER, FROM MILL VALLEY -- WAS SELECTED FOR HER WORK DONATING SOCCER CLEATS TO CHILDREN IN NEED. THE AWARD RECOGNIZES YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE DEDICATED HUNDREDS OF HOURS TO COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EXCELLED IN PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PHYSICAL FITNESS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** OLDER WOMEN WHO DON'T GET ENOUGH VITAMIN D MAY BE SUSCEPTIBLE TO WEIGHT GAIN. RESEARCHERS AT KAISER PERMANENTE IN OREGON TRACKED MORE THAN 46-HUNDRED WOMEN OVER AGE 65 FOR FIVE YEARS. THOSE WITH LOW LEVELS OF VITAMIN D IN THEIR BLOOD GAINED ABOUT TWO POUNDS MORE THAN THOSE WITH ADEQUATE LEVELS. RESEARCHERS SAY THERE'S NOT ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO RECOMMEND TAKING SUPPLEMENTS TO AVOID EXTRA POUNDS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/28/12 REPORTED...** A STUDY OF CALIFORNIA'S MIDDLE SCHOOLS FOUND HIGH LEVELS OF OVERWEIGHT AND OBESE STUDENTS -- WITH SOME OF THE HIGHEST RATES HERE IN THE BAY AREA. RESEARCHERS AT U-C-L-A STUDIED DATA FROM 250 CITIES, AND FOUND 38-PERCENT OF CALIFORNIA STUDENTS ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE. THE LOWEST RATE IN THE STATE WAS 11-PERCENT IN MANHATTAN BEACH, A HIGH-INCOME AREA. LOW-INCOME AREAS TENDED TO CORRELATE WITH HIGHER WEIGHT, WITH HUNTINGTON PARK, IN L-A COUNTY HAVING THE HIGHEST RATE, OF 53-PERCENT. SAN PABLO WAS THIRD-HIGHEST, AT OVER 52-PERCENT...RICHMOND -- 51-PERCENT.

#### **CRIMES-FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL, LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...** THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO TAKE GUNS AWAY FROM CRIMINALS...BUT IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY, TWO SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ARE NOW BEING INDICTED ON FEDERAL CHARGES OF TRAFFICKING ILLEGAL WEAPONS THAT ENDED UP IN THE HANDS OF CRIMINALS. DEPUTIES RYAN MCGOWAN AND THOMAS LU ARE LINKED TO WEAPONS USED DURING THIS SIX-HOUR POLICE STANDOFF IN DALY CITY LAST YEAR. AUTHORITIES RECOVERED TWO ASSAULT WEAPONS FROM THAT SCENE. FEDERAL PROSECUTORS NOW CLAIM THE TWO DEPUTIES PURCHASED RESTRICTED WEAPONS AND THEN SOLD THE FIREARMS TO UNQUALIFIED DEALERS FOR THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/5/12 REPORTED...** TONIGHT ... OAKLAND POLICE ARE STILL TRYING TO FIND THE THIEVES WHO HIT A STRUGGLING CHILDREN'S PROGRAM IN THE EAST BAY. . THE EAST OAKLAND BOXING ASSOCIATION ON 98TH AND SAN LEANDRO WAS BROKEN INTO OVER THE WEEKEND. THIEVES STOLE TWO DESKTOP COMPUTERS, TEN LAPTOPS, TWO PRINTERS, WI-FI EQUIPMENT, AND ALL KINDS OF MUSIC EQUIPMENT. OFFICERS SPENT SEVERAL HOURS AT THE PROPERTY AGAIN TODAY ... TRYING TO TRACK DOWN ANY LEADS. JUST A FEW MONTHS AGO, THE BOXING PROGRAM, WHICH HELPS MORE THAN A HUNDRED KIDS STAY OFF THE STREETS, WAS IN DANGER OF CLOSING. THIS BURGLARY IS ANOTHER SETBACK. THE BOXING ASSOCIATION IS TRYING TO KEEP THE SUMMER PROGRAM GOING. 100 KIDS ARE ALREADY SIGNED UP. IT'S HOLDING A FUNDRAISER AT YOSHI'S A WEEK FROM TODAY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/6/12 REPORTED...**FOLLOWING UP NOW ON A STORY WE FIRST BROUGHT YOU TWO WEEKS AGO. PLEASANTON POLICE HOPE TWO NEW SKETCHES AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF EARRINGS WILL HELP LEAD THEM TO SOMEONE WHO CAN IDENTIFY A HOMICIDE VICTIM. TAKE A LOOK. THIS WOMAN'S BODY WAS FOUND IN A TRASH CAN NEAR DUBLIN CANYON ROAD AND LAUREL CREEK DRIVE ON MAY 24TH. JUST IN THE LAST COUPLE OF HOURS, POLICE ALSO RELEASED THIS PHOTO OF THE EARRINGS SHE WAS



WEARING.THEY SAY AS FAR AS THEY KNOW, THIS WOMAN HAS NEVER BEEN FINGER PRINTED AND HAS NO TATTOOS. AUTHORITIES BELIEVE THE WOMAN HAD SHOULDER-LENGTH DARK HAIR, WAS ABOUT 5 FOOT SIX INCHES TALL, WEIGHING 130 POUNDS.SHE WAS WEARING AN OLD NAVY SHIRT AND PAJAMA BOTTOMS.THEY ALSO BELIEVE SHE IS BETWEEN 20 AND 40 YEARS OLD AND IS EITHER ASIAN, HISPANIC, OR CAUCASIAN WITH ASIAN TRAITS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/8/12 REPORTED...** A GANG-DISPUTE MAY BE BEHIND SAN JOSE'S 18TH HOMICIDE OF THE YEAR...A DEADLY SHOOTING OUTSIDE A SAN JOSE KARAOKE BAR OVERNIGHT. THE \*HAPPIOKE BAR\* IS ON SENTER ROAD JUST NORTH OF TULLY. POLICE SAY THE BAR WAS CLOSING-DOWN AROUND TWO THIS MORNING WHEN AN ARGUMENT BROKE OUT IN THE PARKING LOT -- AND SOMEONE FIRED A GUN. POLICE HAVE NOT YET RELEASED THE NAME OF THE 25-YEAR OLD MAN WHO WAS KILLED...BUT DID SAY HE WAS DEAD WHEN THEY ARRIVED. SOME CUSTOMERS NOTED THAT THE BUSINESS DOES NOT **SERVE** ALCOHOL-- BUT IT DOES ALLOW PATRONS TO BRING THEIR OWN LIQUOR INTO PRIVATE ROOMS. NO WORD ON WHETHER POLICE THINK THAT WAS A FACTOR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** PROSECUTORS IN SAN FRANCISCO FILED A FELONY CHARGE AGAINST A BICYCLIST WHO HIT AND KILLED AN ELDERLY PEDESTRIAN...AND THEN ALLEGEDLY BLOGGED ABOUT IT. THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED AT THE CORNER OF MARKET AND CASTRO STREETS ON MARCH 29TH. CYCLIST CHRIS BUCCHERE HIT AND KILLED A SEVENTY-ONE YEAR OLD SUTCHI HU-I IN A CROSSWALK. THE 36-YEAR-OLD CYCLIST WROTE IN A CYCLING BLOG ATTRIBUTED TO HIM...THAT HE COULDN'T STOP IN TIME AND PLOWED THROUGH THE CROSSWALK. BUT DISTRICT ATTORNEY GEORGE GASCON SAYS THERE IS EVIDENCE THE CYCLIST WAS SPEEDING TO BREAK A RECORD FOR RIDING THROUGH THE CITY. HE ALSO SAYS WITNESSES SAW BUCCHERE RIDE THROUGH SEVERAL STOP SIGNS WITHOUT STOPPING, JUST BEFORE THE ACCIDENT. GASCON SAYS HIS OFFICE IS ALSO REVIEWING VIDEO OF THE ACCIDENT. BUCCERE'S ATTORNEY DENIES HIS CLIENT WAS AT FAULT. ON THE DAY OF THE COLLISION, A CHRIS BUCCHER DESCRIBED THE ACCIDENT IN AN ONLINE BIKING FORUM. THE POST HAS SINCE BEEN REMOVED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** PROSECUTORS IN THE JERRY SANDUSKY CHILD SEX ABUSE TRIAL CALLED THEIR FINAL WITNESSES TODAY. THEY INCLUDED 3 MORE ALLEGED VICTIMS. ONE TESTIFIED THAT THE FORMER PENN STATE ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH, CALLED HIMSELF THE "TICKLE MONSTER", WHILE THEY WERE IN THE SHOWER TOGETHER. ANOTHER SAID HE WAS FREQUENTLY MOLESTED AND RAPED IN SANDUSKY'S BASEMENT. THE JUDGE ADJOURNED THE TRIAL UNTIL MONDAY, WHEN THE DEFENSE WILL BEGIN PRESENTING ITS CASE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** AN EAST BAY JUDGE IS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAW TONIGHT... CHARGED WITH ELDER ABUSE. ALAMEDA COUNTY JUDGE PAUL SEEMAN WAS IN COURT TODAY ... FACING ONE COUNT OF ELDER THEFT AND 11 COUNTS OF PERJURY. HE WAS ARRESTED YESTERDAY AT THE COURTHOUSE IN OAKLAND. SEEMAN IS ACCUSED OF TAKING UP TO 1-POINT-6 MILLION DOLLARS FROM AN ELDERLY NEIGHBOR IN THE BERKELEY HILLS OVER A 13-YEAR PERIOD. PROSECUTORS CLAIM HE BEFRIENDED ANNE NUTTING AND ULTIMATELY OFFERED TO MANAGE HER ASSETS AFTER HER HUSBAND'S DEATH IN 19-99. SEEMAN IS ALSO CHARGED WITH LYING ABOUT HIS INCOME AND INVESTMENTS TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AS HE LEFT THE COURT TODAY -- HE WAS HECKELED BY OCCUPY PROTESTERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** NOW TO AN NBC BAY AREA FOLLOW UP. IT MADE NATIONAL NEWS LAST MONTH...A RICHMOND JUDGE SENTENCED A MAN SUSPECTED OF CONSPIRACY AND ASSAULT -- TO HOUSE ARREST, AND ORDERED HIM TO WRITE BOOK REPORTS. NOW AN APPEALS COURT HAS OVERRULED HER UNUSUAL DECISION. OTIS MOBLEY (( MAHB-lee )) IS ACCUSED OF ARRANGING FOR THE SALE OF A GRENADE LAUNCHER. THE BUYERS WERE UNDERCOVER AGENTS. THE SALE WENT BAD IN A RICHMOND PARKING LOT, WITH AN EXCHANGE OF GUNFIRE. HIS COUSIN AND ANOTHER MAN

WERE JAILED UNTIL THEIR TRIAL, BUT THE JUDGE ASSIGNED MOBLEY TO HOUSE ARREST WITH AN ORDER TO IMPROVE HIMSELF BY READING BOOKS. NOW AN APPEALS COURT HAS SIDED WITH PROSECUTORS, WHO COMPLAINED THAT MOBLEY IS A FLIGHT RISK AND DANGER TO THE COMMUNITY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** NEW TONIGHT AT SIX. A LOS GATOS MAN HAS NOW BEEN CHARGED WITH ARSON AFTER SETTING A HOME ON FIRE...TWICE. 19- YEAR OLD LANDON CRAMER WAS ARRESTED ON SUSPICION OF SETTING FIRE TO THE LOS GATOS HOME OF A FORMER CLASSMATE...TWO TIMES. HE NOW FACES TWO COUNTS OF ARSON, AND A CHARGE OF ANIMAL CRUELTY...BECAUSE THE FAMILY'S DOG WAS INJURED. THE FIRST FIRE HAPPENED IN LATE OCTOBER AND CAUSED EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO THE HOUSE. THE SECOND FIRE WAS SET IN JANUARY. LUCKILY, NO ONE WAS HOME AT THE TIME OF EITHER FIRE. CRAMER IS A FORMER LOS GATOS HIGH SCHOOL CLASSMATE OF THE FAMILY'S DAUGHTER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...**THE SANTA CLARA county SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS HOPING NEW HIGH TECH EQUIPMENT WILL LEAD TO NEW CLUES IN THE SEARCH FOR MISSING MORGAN HILL TEENAGER SIERRA LAMAR. THE SHERIFF'S DIVE TEAM IS RE-SCANNING THE CHESBRO RESERVOIR...3-MILES WEST OF MORGAN HILL. THEY'RE USING NEWER SIDE-SONAR EQUIPMENT. IN HOPES OF FINDING CLUES THAT MAY HAVE BEEN MISSED IN EARLIER SEARCHES. HOWEVER, THEY NOTE THAT THE SEARCH IS NOT BASED ON ANY NEW TIP. SIERRA LAMAR HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE MARCH 16TH. ONE MAN HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH HER KIDNAPPING AND MURDER...BUT NO BODY HAS EVER BEEN FOUND.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** IN SAN FRANCISCO...THE FATE OF SUSPENDED SHERIFF ROSS MIRKARIMI WILL SOON BE DECIDED AS THE CITY'S ETHICS COMMISSION PREPARES TO HOLD A HEARING THIS WEEK.THE HEARING IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN TOMORROW AT FIVE O'CLOCK. THE ETHICS INVESTIGATION BEGAN SHORTLY AFTER THE SHERIFF PLEADED GUILTY TO A FALSE IMPRISONMENT CHARGE STEMMING FROM A DISPUTE WITH HIS WIFE, ELIANA LOPEZ, ON NEW YEAR'S EVE. AN ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENT BY WITNESS IVORY MADISON WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMISSION -- AN ACCOUNT THAT DIFFERS GREATLY FROM STORIES BY BOTH MIRKARIMI AND LOPEZ. A JUDGE RULED TODAY LOPEZ AND HER SON WILL REMAIN IN HER NATIVE VENEZUELA UNTIL AUGUST 19TH. MIRKARIMI WILL BE ALLOWED TO VISIT HIS SON DURING A WEEK-LONG TRIP TO THAT COUNTRY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** ON THE PENSINSULA -- A FORMER SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT HAS PLEAD 'NOT GUILTY' TO EMBEZZLING FUNDS FROM THE DISTRICT. TIM HANRETTY IS ACCUSED OF STEALING MORE THAN 100-THOUSAND DOLLARS TO RENOVATE HIS HOME. HE ALLEGEDLY PAID FOR IT WITH MONEY FROM A SPECIAL FUND ESTABLISHED BY THE PORTOLA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PAY FOR SOLAR PANELS AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS. IT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME HANRETTY HAS BEEN IN TROUBLE, IN APRIL HE WAS CHARGED WITH MISAPPOPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE WOODSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE IS DUE BACK IN COURT IN AUGUST.

### **DIVERSITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/5/12 REPORTED...** A MIXED REACTION TONIGHT FOLLOWING THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT'S REFUSAL TO HEAR A CHALLENGE TO PROP-EIGHT, CALIFORNIA'S BAN OF SAME-SEX MARRIAGE. ACTIVISTS WHO FAVOR GAY MARRIAGE SAY THE COURT'S DECISION WAS EXPECTED. THE 11-JUDGE PANEL RULED IT WOULD **NOT** REHEAR A RULING THAT FOUND PROP-EIGHT UNCONSTITUTIONAL. THE 2008 LAW SOUGHT TO STRIP GAYS AND LESBIANS OF THE RIGHT TO MARRY. PROP-EIGHT SUPPORTERS HAVE VOWED TO TAKE THEIR FIGHT TO THE SUPREME COURT. THEY HAVE TO FILE A REQUEST TO DO THAT,

WHICH THE JUSTICES COULD ACCEPT OR DENY. A DENIAL WOULD LET THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT'S DECISION STAND.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** A LANDMARK STUDY OF GAY TEENAGERS IN THE U-S IS BEING VIEWED AS A "CALL TO ACTION" BY GAY AND CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS. ONLY 37-PERCENT OF L-G-B-T TEENAGERS SAY THEY'RE HAPPY, COMPARED WITH 67-PERCENT OF 'STRAIGHT' TEENAGERS. NEARLY HALF ANSWERED THAT THEY DON'T FIT IN THEIR COMMUNITY, COMPARED WITH JUST 16-PERCENT OF STRAIGHT KIDS. WHEN THE \*HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN\* RELEASED THE SURVEY RESULTS TODAY IN LOS ANGELES, IT BROUGHT OUT SOME HIGH-PROFILE SUPPORT: HRC NOW WANTS THIS DATA USED IN MORE POLICIES AND PRACTICES TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF GAY YOUTH EVERYWHERE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS HAVE A CONTROVERSIAL HUNTING PRACTICE IN THEIR CROSSHAIRS. THEY GATHERED IN THE STATE CAPITOL TODAY TO TO SUPPORT A BILL THAT WOULD BAN "HOUNDING." HUNTERS STRAP GPS DEVICES ONTO DOGS AND SEND THEM OFF TO HUNT AND TRAP BEARS AND BOBCATS. ONCE THE ANIMAL IS CORNERED, HUNTERS FOLLOW THE GPS SIGNAL AND SHOOT THE ANIMALS POINTBLANK. IT'S NOT JUST THE BEARS AND BOBCATS THAT ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS ARE WORRIED ABOUT. THEY SAY THE DOGS ARE ALSO AT RISK OF INJURY OR DEATH. WHEN CORNERING LARGE PRAY, THE DOGS ARE OFTEN BITTEN OR KILLED. MOST STATES DON'T ALLOW HOUNDING. SOME HUNTING GROUPS ARE OPPOSED TO THE BILL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** 'THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE'. DEFENSE SECRETARY, LEON PANETTA ISSUED A STATEMENT TO GAY SERVICE MEMBERS TO MARK PRIDE MONTH. PANETTA'S VIDEO ADDRESS COMES NINE MONTHS AFTER THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION REPEALED "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL. THE POLICY PREVENTED GAY MEN AND WOMEN FROM SERVING OPENLY. SOME 13-THOUSAND SERVICE MEMBERS WERE FORCED OUT OF THE MILITARY BECAUSE OF IT. PANETTA ALSO ADDED HE IS COMMITTED TO REMOVING AS MANY BARRIERS AS POSSIBLE TO MAKE THE MILITARY A MODEL OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** THERE IS A REASON, WHY XING CHEN FAN, TRAVELED SOME SIX-THOUSAND MILES FROM CHINA... TO ATTEND U-C BERKELEY. AND EVEN THOUGH HE'S THOUSANDS OF MILES FROM HOME... HE'S FOUND A FAMILIAR SUPPORT GROUP. FAN'S PURSUIT OF THE AMERICAN DREAM... IS ONE OF THOUSANDS OF SIMILAR STORIES ACROSS THE U-S. IN FACT, A NEW STUDY BY THE PEW INSTITUTE... SAYS THE U-S'S 18.2 MILLION ASIAN-AMERICANS HAVE NOW SURPASSED HISPANICS AS THE LARGEST NEW GROUP IN THE U-S. THE STUDY FOUND THAT ASIAN AMERICANS WERE FOR THE MOST PART CONTENT, WELL-EDUCATED AND VALUED FAMILY. U-C BERKELEY PROFESSOR LEORA LAWTON, WHO STUDIES POPULATION CHANGE SAYS, THE BIGGEST FACTOR FOR THE INCREASE... COMES DOWN TO JOBS. THE CHANGING FACE OF THE U-S POPULATION, COULD ALSO BRING A SHIFT IN POLITICAL CLOUT. AS EVIDENCE OF THAT... SAN FRANCISCO RECENTLY ELECTED THE FIRST ASIAN-AMERICAN MAYOR IN ITS HISTORY. BUT THE ASIAN LAW CAUCUS CAUTIONS AGAINST THE ROSY PICTURE PAINTED BY THE REPORT. LAWTON SAYS THE RISE OF ASIAN IMMIGRANTS, CONTRASTS WITH A DECREASE IN HISPANICS IMMIGRATION, HIT HARDER BY THE RECESSION. BUT FAN FIGURES \*\*HIS\*\* U-S EDUCATION... WILL BE THE TICKET TO A GOOD JOB.... WELL WORTH THE SIX THOUSAND MILE JOURNEY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/22/12 REPORTED...** THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES TO BEING AN AMATEUR FLOAT BUILDER. ON TOP OF FIGHTING THE WIND... TAMMY MARTIN WAS GRAPPLING WITH ANOTHER ISSUE. BUT INSTEAD.... MARTIN'S MODEL OF SAN FRANCISCO'S GLIDE MEMORIAL CHURCH FOR THE PRIDE PARADE... WAS LESS THAN IMPOSING. BUT MARTIN PLANNED TO SOLVE THAT... BY PLACING SMALLER PEOPLE NEXT TO THE CHURCH. FLOATS OF ALL SIZES... WERE UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR SUNDAYS PRIDE PARADE. DECKED OUT IN SEQUINS AND STREAMERS... THE COLOR OF THE RAINBOW. FOR MARTIN... WHO RECENTLY CAME-OUT AS A LESBIAN, IT WAS A TIME TO CELEBRATE. IN ITS 42<sup>ND</sup>

YEAR, PRIDE WEEKEND HAS OPENED ITS ARMS TO A DIVERSE COMMUNITY OF SEXUAL IDENTITIES AND PREFERENCES. AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS... THIS YEAR'S PARADE WILL BE INFUSED WITH THEMES OF RECENT STRUGGLES AND VICTORIES. THIS YEAR... WILL ALSO MARK ANOTHER MILESTONE FOR THE LGBT COMMUNITY. THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CHANGES SINCE 1966... WHEN FELICIA ELIZONDO WAS INVOLVED IN THE COMPTON CAFETERIA RIOTS... WHICH BROUGHT TRANSGENDER RIGHTS OUT OF THE SHADOWS. TODAY... SHE WAS AMONG TRANSGENDER PEOPLE GATHERING IN DOLORES PARK FOR THE ANNUAL TRANS MARCH.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** RALLYING FOR RIGHTS. TWO MAJOR FARM UNIONS ARE URGING SUPPORT FOR TWO PIECES OF LEGISLATION -- THEY CLAIM -- WILL GIVE THEM MORE PROTECTION FROM ABUSIVE EMPLOYERS. ONE OF THE BILLS -- WOULD PROVIDE OVERTIME PAY FOR FARM WORKERS AFTER EIGHT HOURS A DAY OR 40 HOURS A WEEK. THE OTHER -- WOULD GIVE HOUSEKEEPERS AND OTHER DOMESTIC WORKERS THE RIGHT TO OVERTIME PAY, VACATION AND OTHER BENEFITS. MEMBERS OF \*UNITED FARM WORKERS\* AND \*CALIFORNIA DOMESTIC WORKERS COALITION\* ARE BEHIND THE PUSH. THE TWO UNIONS HELD THEIR RALLY \*INSIDE\* THE STATE CAPITOL TODAY... OFFICIALS SAY THE GROUPS WERE HOLDING AN ILLEGAL RALLY BECAUSE THEY DID NOT RECEIVE PERMISSION TO GATHER INSIDE THE CAPITOL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** TONIGHT, A FEDERAL HOTLINE IS SET-UP FOR THE PUBLIC TO REPORT POTENTIAL CIVIL RIGHTS CONCERNS-- --FOLLOWING TODAY'S IMMIGRATION DECISION BY THE U-S SUPREME COURT. THE COURT'S MIXED RULING ELIMINATED PARTS OF ARIZONA'S CONTROVERSIAL LAW, WHILE RETAINING THE SECTION ALLOWING POLICE TO CHECK ON A CRIMINAL SUSPECT'S IMMIGRATION STATUS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/27/12 REPORTED...** BILLS AIMED AT PROTECTING CALIFORNIA HOMEOWNERS FROM FORCLOSURES CLEARED A MAJOR HURDLE TODAY. TWO BILLS WON APPROVAL IN COMMITTEES. IF PASSED, THEY WOULD FORCE LENDERS TO STOP THE FORCLOSURE PROCESS WHILE A LOAN MODIFICATION IS BEING NEGOTIATED. THE BILLS WOULD ALSO LET HOMEOWNERS GET AN INJUNCTION TO STOP THE SALE OF THEIR HOME. ATTORNEY GENERAL KAMALA HARRIS SAYS THE BILLS ARE NEEDED TO EXTEND THE BENEFITS OF A NATIONAL SETTLEMENT WITH FIVE MAJOR BANKS TO ALL MORTGAGE HOLDERS. THE BANKING AND LENDING INDUSTRIES OPPOSE BOTH BILLS. A FINAL VOTE WILL HAPPEN ON MONDAY.

### **EDUCATION**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...** CLEAN SLATE. SCHOOLS ACROSS THE STATE ARE REELING FROM STATE BUDGET CUTS, BUT ONE DISTRICT IN THE EAST BAY IS FEELING RELIEF. THE WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RICHMOND HAS PAID OFF A DECADES-OLD DEBT TO THE STATE -- AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. TODAY, ADMINISTRATORS HANDED AN EIGHT MILLION DOLLAR CHECK TO STATE SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM TORLAKSON. IT'S A MAJOR STEP FORWARD FOR THE DISTRICT, WHICH FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY IN 1991. IT WAS THE FIRST TO ENTER STATE RECEIVERSHIP. IT HAD A TRUSTEE AND A 28-MILLION DOLLAR LOAN -- WITH INTEREST. DISTRICT OFFICIALS SAY THEY SAVED -- AND PUT ASIDE WHAT THEY COULD -- TO PAY THE LOAN OFF EARLY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** YOU DON'T NEED AN ADVANCED DEGREE TO UNDERSTAND THIS NEXT STORY-- THE COST OF COLLEGE IS RISING FASTER THAN EVER. NEW FIGURES FROM THE U.S. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHOW THAT THE AVERAGE COST OF FOUR-YEAR PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES HAS INCREASED 15 PERCENT THE PAST TWO YEARS. THE INCREASE IS FUELED BY STATE BUDGET CUTS AND TUITION INCREASES OF 40 PERCENT OR MORE IN SEVERAL STATES--INCLUDING CALIFORNIA. U-C BERKELEY AND U-C-L-A ARE AMONG THE UNIVERSITIES WITH THE STEEPEST PRICE HIKES. MEANWHILE REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS ARE BATTLING A JULY 1ST DEADLINE TO COME UP WITH A PLAN

TO PREVENT AN AUTOMATIC DOUBLING OF INTEREST RATES ON NEW FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS. THAT HIKE WOULD AFFECT MORE THAN 7 MILLION PEOPLE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** SCHOOL'S OUT FOR THE SUMMER, BUT SOUTH BAY TEACHERS --WHEREVER THEY ARE-- HAVE REASON TO CELEBRATE TONIGHT. CALIFORNIA'S TEST-SCORES ARE IN, AND THE RESULTS ARE IMPRESSIVE. OF THE TOP 31 HIGHEST-SCORING SCHOOLS IN THE STATE, 16 ARE IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY, INCLUDING THE TOP-THREE SCHOOLS! CUPERTINO'S MURDOCK-PORTAL AND FARIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TIED FOR FIRST. THE NUMBER-THREE SPOT WENT TO SANTA CLARA'S MILIKIN ELEMENTARY. OF THE NEARLY FOUR-HUNDRED SCHOOLS IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY, 62-PERCENT MET OR EXCEEDED THE STATE GOAL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** A SAN JOSE HIGH SCHOOL IS PROUDLY REPORTING THAT 100-PERCENT OF ITS FIRST-EVER GRADUATING CLASS WILL BE ATTENDING COLLEGE. OUR CAMERAS ROLLED DURING THE KIPP COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION HELD AT THE CALIFORNIA THEATER YESTERDAY. WE'RE TOLD 82-PERCENT OF THOSE KIPP GRADUATES ARE ENROLLED IN FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES... THE REMAINING 18-PERCENT .... ARE APPARENTLY ENROLLED IN TWO-YEAR SCHOOLS. THE KIPP SCHOOL .... IS PART OF A NATIONAL NETWORK OF 109 CHARTER SCHOOLS .... THAT CLAIM A COLLEGE-PREP CURRICULUM IN A SAFE AND STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** THE BASCOM COMMUNITY CENTER IN SAN JOSE OPENED TODAY - NEARLY A YEAR AND A HALF AFTER CONSTRUCTION WAS FINISHED. JUST AN HOUR AGO, FENCES SURROUNDING THE CLOSED CENTER CAME DOWN. IT WAS ABLE TO OPEN BECAUSE THE CITY OF SAN JOSE HAS A 9-MILLION DOLLAR CUSHION IN THE BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. EXTRA CASH, MAYOR CHUCK REED SAYS, IS AVAILABLE BECAUSE OF LAYOFFS AND EMPLOYEE CONCESSIONS. THE COMMUNITY CENTER CONTAINS A NEW GYM, MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM AND TEEN GAME ROOM.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** PROTESTS TO KEEP AN OAKLAND SCHOOL OPEN CONTINUED FOR THE 5TH DAY TODAY. PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS REMAIN IN A TENT CITY OUTSIDE OF LAKEVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THEY ARE DEMANDING THAT 5 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS SCHEDULED TO BE CLOSED BY THE DISTRICT REMAIN OPEN. YESTERDAY, POLICE WERE CALLED TO THE SCENE AFTER SEVERAL PARENTS ENTERED THE CLOSED CAMPUS TO TEACH SUMMER SCHOOL. POLICE SAY THE PROTESTORS ARE TRESPASSING AND MUST LEAVE IMMEDIATELY. THAT ORDER HAS NOT YET BEEN ENFORCED.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** COLLEGE STUDENTS -- MAY SOON BENEFIT FROM A NEW EQUATION BY GOVERNOR BROWN AND DEMOCRATIC LAWMAKERS IN SACRAMENTO. IF VOTERS APPROVE A TAX INCREASE IN NOVEMBER, A TUITION FREEZE WOULD GO IN PLACE. IT'S THANKS TO A BUDGET-RELATED BILL THAT WOULD APPROPRIATE 125-MILLION DOLLARS \*EACH\* FOR THE U-C AND C-S-U SYSTEMS IN THE 20-13 - 20-14 ACADEMIC YEAR. BUT THE MONEY WOULD ONLY BE AVAILABLE -- IF THE REGENTS DECIDE \*NOT\* TO INCREASE FEES. U-C IS CONSIDERING A 730-DOLLAR INCREASE WHILE C-S-U ALREADY APPROVED A 500-DOLLAR TUITION HIKE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/27/12 REPORTED...** A REPORT-CARD TONIGHT ON CALIFORNIA'S HIGH SCHOOLS, AND THE GRADE ISN'T VERY GOOD. 76-POINT-THREE PERCENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADUATED LAST YEAR-- --IT'S AN IMPROVEMENT, BUT ONLY BY ONE-AND-A-HALF PERCENT OVER 2010. LOOKING AT THE BRIGHT SIDE, THE STATE SCHOOLS CHIEF POINTS OUT THE DROP-OUT RATE OF 14-POINT-FOUR PERCENT IS DOWN MORE THAN TWO-PERCENT FROM THE YEAR BEFORE.

## ENVIRONMENT

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/4/12 REPORTED...** ASTRONOMERS AND SCIENTISTS AROUND THE WORLD ARE GETTING READY FOR A RARE EVENT IN SPACE ...SOMETHING WE LIKELY WON'T SEE AGAIN IN OUR LIFETIME. IT'S CALLED VENUS TRANSIT, THE PLANET VENUS CROSSES OVER THE FACE OF THE SUN. THE TRANSIT BEGINS TOMORROW AND WILL CONTINUE INTO WEDNESDAY. IT WON'T BE SEEN AGAIN UNTIL 21-17. THAT'S 105 YEARS FROM NOW. FOR THIS TRANSIT -- A SPACECRAFT FROM THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY IS ORBITING THE PLANET. IT'S CALLED THE VENUS EXPRESS AND WILL BE SENDING A UNIQUE VIEW OF THE TRANSIT. DURING THE LAST TRANSIT IN 2004 SCIENTISTS SPOTTED A HALO AROUND VENUS INDICATING THAT VENUS HAD AN ATMOSPHERE. SCIENTISTS HOPE THIS TRANSIT WILL BE JUST AS ENLIGHTENING

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** A NEW, AND DIRE WARNING ABOUT A POINT OF NO RETURN FOR THE PLANET. SEVERAL CAL RESEARCHERS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL SCIENTISTS NOW SAY THE EARTH IS REACHING A TIPPING POINT IN CLIMATE CHANGE THAT WILL LEAD TO INCREASINGLY RAPID AND, IN THEIR WORDS, IRREVERSIBLE DESTRUCTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT. RESEARCHERS POINT TO DAMAGE DONE BY UNCHECKED POPULATION GROWTH, THE OVER-EXPLOITATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES...AND OTHER FACTORS. THEIR NEW FINDINGS HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL NATURE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** ARMED WITH NETS... A TEAM OF BIOLOGISTS AND VOLUNTEERS FROM THE GROUP SPAWN WADES ANKLE-DEEP IN A KNEE-HIGH STREAM. THE LAGUNITAS WATERSHED IN WEST MARIN IS ONE OF THE ONLY PLACES IN CALIFORNIA WHERE ENDANGERED COHO RETURN TO SPAWN. THIS PARTICULAR STRETCH RUNS RIGHT THROUGH LOIS HANSEN'S YARD... WITH BUCKETS FILLED WITH TINY COHO AND THREATENED STEELHEAD TROUT... THE RESCUERS HEAD TO A LARGER, FLOWING STREAM NEARBY. IF NATURE IS ON THEIR SIDE, THE FISH WILL RETURN TO THIS SAME AREA... TO BEGIN THE DELICATE STRUGGLE FOR LIFE... ONCE AGAIN.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** SAVING THE PLANET COULD BE CAUSING IT TO RUMBLE AND CRUMBLE. A STUDY OUT OF STANFORD SAYS A PROCESS CALLED CARBON CAPTURE COULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INCREASING EARTH QUAKE RISK. CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE, IS A MAJOR COMPONENT OF THE WORLD'S GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION STRATEGY. WE FOUND THIS ANIMATION ON YOUTUBE. IT SHOWS HOW CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE... OR CCS... WORKS. ESSENTIALLY... THE PROCESS MOVES CARBON-DIOXIDE... INTO THE CREAVICES OF THE EARTH. THE RESEARCHERS ARGUE THAT EVEN A SMALL FAULT SLIP OF A FEW CENTIMETERS COULD ALLOW STORED CO2 TO REACH THE SURFACE AND TRIGGER AN EARTHQUAKE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/22/12 REPORTED...** A NEW REPORT FINDS RISING SEA LEVELS ...TRIGGERED BY GLOBAL WARMING... WILL HIT THE CALIFORNIA COASTLINE HARDER THAN MANY OTHER AREAS. THE STUDY WAS DONE BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES... IT ESTIMATES THAT BY 20-30 ... SEA LEVELS IN THE BAY AREA AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ... COULD RISE BY AS MUCH AS A FOOT. IT GIVES PLANNERS THEIR BEST LOOK YET AT HOW MELTING ICE SHEETS AND WARMING OCEANS WILL CAUSE SEA LEVELS TO CLIMB ... ALONG THE WEST COAST. BY 21-HUNDRED ... RESEARCHERS PREDICT -- ON AVERAGE -- SEA LEVELS AROUND THE GLOBE WILL BE UP TO FOUR FEET HIGHER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/25/12 REPORTED...** CALIFORNIA'S RARE CONDOR POPULATION IS STILL FACING AN OLD THREAT-- BULLETS. --NOT BECAUSE ANYONE IS SHOOTING AT THE BIRDS, BUT BECAUSE AS SCAVENGERS, THEY EAT ANIMALS SHOT BY HUNTERS OR FARMERS-- AND THOSE GUNS ARE FIRING LEAD BULLETS. BECAUSE OF THE PERSISTENT LEAD-POISONING IN THE CONDORS, CALIFORNIA PASSED A LAW IN 2007 BANNING THE USE OF LEAD BULLETS IN THEIR HABITAT. --BUT FIVE YEARS LATER, A NEW U-S SANTA CRUZ STUDY SHOWS LEAD LEVELS IN THE BIRDS HASN'T DROPPED. THE MERCURY NEWS

REPORTS RESEARCHERS WERE SURPRISED TO FIND A-THIRD OF THE CONDORS TESTED EACH YEAR HAVE LEAD LEVELS HIGH ENOUGH TO BLOCK REPRODUCTION AND CAUSE OTHER HEALTH PROBLEMS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/27/12 REPORTED...** FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE NUCLEAR MELTDOWN IN JAPAN... RESTAURANTS IN FUKUSHIMA ARE SERVING LOCAL SEAFOOD. FISHING OFF THE PACIFIC COAST OF FUKUSHIMA WAS ALLOWED ON A TRIAL BASIS FOR CERTAIN TYPES OF SHELLFISH AND OCTOPUS. NO RADIATION WAS DETECTED IN THE CATCH, AND THE SEAFOOD WENT ON SALE THIS MONDAY IN THE CITY OF SOMA. LOCAL FISHERMEN ARE PLANNING ANOTHER TRIAL TRIP TODAY. THEY SAY THEY WANT TO EVENTUALLY GET APPROVAL TO SHIP THEIR SEA FOOD TO TOKYO AND OTHER LARGER CITIES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/27/12 REPORTED...** THEY'RE ON A MISSION TO SAVE THE BAY AND MARINE LIFE...FROM PLASTIC. SO VOLUNTEERS WITH THE SANTA-CRUZ BASED THE CLEAN OCEANS PROJECT SET OUT TO PROVE A NEW APP CREATED BY SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY CAN HELP FIND AND TRACK LARGE AREAS OF FLOATING DEBRIS ON THE WATER. THE TECHNOLOGY POWERING THE APP WAS CREATED BY MOUNTAIN-VIEW BASED CODAR. USING HIGH FREQUENCY RADARS TO TRACK WHICH WAY THE WATER AND TRASH ARE MOVING. THE TRIP WAS A SUCCESS. EVERYWHERE WE WENT, WE SAW THE DEBRIS AND THIS IS JUST THE FIRST STEP IN THEIR PROJECT. THE BIGGEST PART IS YET TO COME THEY'VE PARTNERED WITH A JAPANESE COMPANY THAT'S CREATED A MACHINE THAT WILL TURN PLASTIC-TO-FUEL. THEY'RE DREAMING BIG. THAT KIND OF TECHNOLOGY WILL RUN HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS MONEY THEY DON'T HAVE. BUT IN THE MEANTIME THEY'LL BE SHOOTING FOR TRIPS LIKE THIS ON THE WATER.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** NO MORE PAPER. THE VTA IS GETTING SMART, AS IN "SMART CARD". STARTING JULY 1ST, ALL VTA CUSTOMERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY FOR RIDES ON BUSES AND ON LIGHT RAIL USING RELOADABLE, ALL-IN-ONE "SMART CARDS". CLIPPER OFFERS THE ADDED CONVENIENCE OF KEEPING TRACK OF PASSES, DISCOUNT TICKETS, RIDE BOOKS AND CASH VALUE. IT CAN HOLD UP TO 300-DOLLARS. AND AS A BONUS, THE CARD CAN ALSO BE USED ANYWHERE IN THE BAY AREA.

### **GOVERNMENT**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...** SANTA CLARA COUNTY RESIDENTS... YOU CAN NOW VOTE WITHOUT EVEN HAVING TO GET OUT OF YOUR CAR. FIVE DRIVE-THRU BALLOT DROP OFF SITES HAVE BEEN SET UP AROUND SANTA CLARA COUNTY...TO GIVE VOTERS ANOTHER OPTION WHEN IT COMES TO VOTING IN THE UPCOMING JUNE 5TH PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION. VOTERS CAN SIMPLY DRIVE UP TO ONE OF THE SITES, AND DROP OFF THEIR BALLOT FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTION. THE SITES ARE OPEN THIS WEEKEND, AS WELL AS ON ELECTION DAY, DURING NORMAL POLLING HOURS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/1/12 REPORTED...** AN ACT OF CYBER WARFARE. AND THE MAN BEHIND IT? NO, NOT A HACKER, BUT PRESIDENT OBAMA. WE'VE LEARNED THAT BACK IN 2010, PRESIDENT OBAMA SECRETLY ORDERED A SOPHISTICATED SUPER-VIRUS ON COMPUTERS THAT RAN IRAN'S NUCLEAR FACILITIES. THE VIRUS WAS CREATED JOINTLY BY THE U-S AND ISRAEL AND SUCCESSFULLY DISABLED NEARLY ONE-THOUSAND CENTRIFUGES. THE USE OF CYBER WARFARE STARTED DURING THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION. THERE ARE REPORTS THE U-S GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO USED IT TO ATTACK AL QAIDA'S COMPUTERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/6/12 REPORTED...** STATE LAWMAKERS HAVE SOME OF THEIR LOWEST APPROVAL RATINGS EVER, AND YET VOTERS KEPT THEM IN OFFICE YESTERDAY-- AT LEAST UNTIL NOVEMBER. EVERY INCUMBENT OFFICE-HOLDER WHO

RAN FOR RE-ELECTION, WILL ADVANCE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER. FORTY-THREE INCUMBENT ASSEMBLY MEMBERS WERE ON YESTERDAY'S BALLOT-- WITH FOUR RUNNING UNOPPOSED. 12 INCUMBENT SENATORS WERE ON THE BALLOT, TWO UNOPPOSED. UNDER CALIFORNIA'S NEW PRIMARY SYSTEM, VOTERS COULD CAST BALLOTS FOR CANDIDATES OF ANY PARTY, WITH THE TOP TWO VOTE-GETTERS QUALIFYING FOR THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION, REGARDLESS OF PARTY AFFILIATION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** STOP THE LEAKS. SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN IS AMONG A HANDFUL OF CONGRESSIONAL LAWMAKERS WHO WANT TO PLUG NATIONAL SECURITY LEAKS. FEINSTEIN -- AND THREE OTHER LEGISLATORS WANT TO CHANGE THE 'SENATE DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL.' ALL FOUR SAY THEY RECENTLY MET WITH THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE... AND PLAN TO SIT DOWN WITH THE F-B-I DIRECTOR. THEY WANT TO PREVENT SUCH LEAKS THAT RECENTLY MADE HEADLINES IN THE 'NEW YORK TIMES' -- INCLUDING THE GOVERNMENT'S CYBERATTACKS ON IRAN'S NUCLEAR FACILITIES.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** PRESIDENT INTERRUPTED... MR. OBAMA NOT ONLY ANNOUNCED A MAJOR CHANGE IN IMMIGRATION POLICY TODAY ...BUT ALSO GAVE A REPORTER A LESSON IN MANNERS...ON NATIONAL TELEVISION. TAKE A LISTEN ... WHILE TRYING TO EXPLAIN HIS POSITION ON IMMIGRATION, CONSERVATIVE REPORTER NEIL MUNRO SHOUTED QUESTIONS AT THE PRESIDENT. HE ASKED WHY THE PRESIDENT WOULD WANT FOREIGNERS IN THE COUNTRY INSTEAD OF GIVING JOBS TO AMERICANS. THE PRESIDENT VISIBLY AGITATED THERE ... MUNRO HAS SINCE RELEASED A STATEMENT SAYING HE THOUGHT THE PRESIDENT WAS CLOSING HIS REMARKS AND HE HAD NO INTENTION OF INTERRUPTING HIM. HE JUST WANTED TO GET IN A QUESTION.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** TECHNICALLY THEY PASSED IT ON TIME, BUT STATE LAWMAKERS STILL HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO-DO TO ACTUALLY COMPLETE THE STATE BUDGET. THE LAW ALLOWS THE LEGISLATURE TO PASS THE BUDGET IN PIECES: 22-TRAILER BILLS, PROVISIONS CRITICAL TO THE BUDGET, WON'T BE DECIDED UNTIL LATE NEXT WEEK. THOSE BILLS LAY OUT WHAT TO DO WITH HOT BUTTON ISSUES LIKE WELFARE-TO-WORK. ROUGHLY 200-MILLION DOLLARS SEPERATES THE TWO SIDES FROM AN AGREEMENT. GOVERNOR BROWN HAS UNTIL JUNE 27TH TO SIGN OR VETO THE BUDGET.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/18/12 REPORTED...** THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS EXPANDING ITS INVESTIGATION INTO FIRES THAT CAN START IN THE DOORS OF SEVERAL TOYOTA VEHICLES. TODAY THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION ADDED 600 THOUSAND CAMRYS, AND VARIOUS OTHER VEHICLES FROM MODEL YEARS 2007 THROUGH 2009 TO ITS EXISTING PROBE. THE INVESTIGATION STARTED BACK IN FEBRUARY...AND NOW INCLUDES NEARLY ONE AND A HALF MILLION TOYOTA VEHICLES. INVESTIGATORS SAY POWER WINDOW SWITCHES CAN OVERHEAT SPARKING ELECTRICAL FIRES IN THE DRIVER'S SIDE DOOR. SINCE LAUNCHING THE PROBE -- TOYOTA SAYS IT HAS RECEIVED 161 COMPLAINTS OF FIRES... RESULTING IN 9 INJURIES...BUT SO FAR THE GOVERNMENT AGENCY HASN'T INITIATED A RECALL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/19/12 REPORTED...** MITT ROMNEY TODAY PROMISED LATINO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THAT AS PRESIDENT, HE WILL BRING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE IMMIGRATION DEBATE. HE ADDRESSED THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE JUST DAYS AFTER PRESIDENT OBAMA ORDERED A HALT TO MANY DEPORTATIONS OF YOUNGER IMMIGRANTS. ROMNEY CALLED THE MOVE A STOP-GAP MEASURE MEANT TO WIN VOTES, BUT HE DIDN'T SAY WHETHER HE'D REVERSE IT IF ELECTED. ROMNEY ALSO PLEDGES TO OVERHAUL THE GREEN CARD SYSTEM TO PRIORITIZE BRINGING THE FAMILIES OF LEGAL RESIDENTS TOGETHER. HE ALSO MAINTAINS HIS VOW TO COMPLETE A HIGH-TECH SOUTHERN BORDER FENCE, WITH ENOUGH AGENTS ON THE GROUND TO DISCOURAGE BORDER CROSSINGS.



## **HEALTH/NUTRITION & DISEASE**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/4/12 REPORTED...** A NEW DRUG IS SHOWING PROMISE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST MELANOMA. THE DRUG, CALLED "TRA-MET-INIB" WORKS IN PATIENTS WITH A GENE MUTATION THAT CAUSES TUMORS TO GROW QUICKLY. IN A CLINICAL TRIAL, THE DRUG PROLONGED THE LIVES OF PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED MELONOMA AND KEPT THE DISEASE FROM WORSENING LONGER THAN CHEMOTERAPY DID. THE DRUG IS MANUFACTURED BY GLAXO-SMITH-KLINE. THAT COMPANY FUNDED THE STUDY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/6/12 REPORTED...**IF A VACCINE IS NOT STORED AT THE RIGHT TEMPERATURE, WHAT COULD THAT MEAN TO THE CHILD WHO GETS THAT SHOT? A NEW REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SHOWS IT MAY BE HAPPENING MORE THAN YOU THINK. THE CDC INSPECTED 45 CLINICS PARTICIAPTING IN THE FEDERAL VACCINES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM AND FOUND A WHOPPING 76 PERCENT STORED THEIR VACCINES AT INAPPROPRIATE TEMPERATURES FOR AT LEAST FIVE HOURS. FOOTHILL COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER IN EAST SAN JOSE PARTICIPATES IN THE VACCINES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM, BUT WAS NOT PART OF THE STUDY. STAFF HERE IS TRAINED TO MONITOR THE TEMPERATURES OF THE REFRIGERATOR WHERE THE VACCINES ARE STORED. IF THAT TEMPERATURE IS OFF JUST A FEW DEGREES... AN ALARM SOUNDS. WHILE THIS OFFICE HAS HAD NO PROBLEMS WITH VACCINE STORAGE... OTHERS HAVE. LAST YEAR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND FINED KAISER SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO 50-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR IMPROPERLY STORING VACCINES AND MEDICATION PEDIATRICIANS SAY ASKING A FEW KEY QUESTIONS CAN HELP PARENTS DETERMINE THE VACCINE THEIR KIDS ARE GETTING WILL BE EFFECTIVE. YOU CAN EVEN ASK TO SEE THE REFRIGERATURE TEMPERATURE LOG..... ANOTHER INDICATION THOSE VACCINES HAVE BEEN STORED PROPERLY AND WILL TRULY BE THE DISEASE FIGHTING WEAPONS YOU WERE COUNTING ON.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/12/12 REPORTED...** THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION SAYS IT'S OFFICIAL....DIESEL EXHAUST FUMES CAN CAUSE CANCER. TODAY THE ORGANIZATION LABELED DIESEL FUMES AS A "CARCINOGEN".....PUTTING THEM IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS OTHER KNOWN HAZARDS LIKE ASBESTOS, ALCOHOL AND ULTRA-VIOLET RADIATION. EXPERTS SAY THE RISK OF GETTING CANCER FROM DIESEL FUMES IS SMALL, BUT SAY THERE'S GROWING EVIDENCE OF A LINK TO BOTH LUNG AND BLADDER CANCERS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** A NEW U-C SAN FRANCISCO STUDY IS RAISING CONCERNS ABOUT RADIATION IN THE HEALTH INDUSTRY...THE STUDY FOUND THE USE OF ADVANCED MEDICAL IMAGING, INCLUDING C-T SCANS AND MRI'S HAS SKYROCKETED....DESPITE THE TEST'S SIGNIFICANT COST. RESEARCHERS WARN THAT THE INCREASED USE OF THE TECHNOLOGY IS LEADING TO AN INCREASED RISK OF CERTAIN CANCERS. THE STUDY WAS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S "JOURNAL OF AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION." ITS AUTHORS URGE PATIENTS TO MAKE SURE EVERY SCAN THEY GET IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** SPEAKING OF CANCER, ANOTHER NEW STUDY HAS FOUND THAT A COMMON COLD VIRUS CAN HELP FIGHT CANCER. WHAT'S SPECIAL ABOUT THE "REO-VIRUS" IS THAT IT CAN ATTACH TO BLOOD CELLS AND TRAVEL DIRECTLY INTO THE TUMOR. BY TRAVELING WITH THE BLOOD, IT'S ABLE TO EVADE KILLER ANTIBODIES, AND EVEN SPARKS AN IMMUNE RESPONSE - MUCH LIKE A VACCINE WOULD. THAT IMMUNE RESPONSE HELPS KILL OFF MORE CANCER CELLS. THE STUDY WAS CONDUCTED BY RESEARCHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS IN ENGLAND - WHO SAY IT PROVIDES PROOF THAT INTRAVENOUSLY DELIVERED CANCER THERAPY IS POSSIBLE.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** THE TRUTH HURTS: NOT MATTER HOW CLEAN YOU ARE.. YOU HAVE GERMS. LOT OF THEM. NEW RESEARCH FINDS -- WE CARRY 2 TO 6 POUNDS OF GERMS -- AT ANY GIVEN TIME. TODAY -- SCIENTISTS PUBLISHED THE RESULTS OF A 173 MILLION DOLLAR GOVERNMENT-FUNDED STUDY THAT MAPS WHERE MICROBES NORMALLY LIVE...EITHER IN OR ON, HUMANS. THEY'VE CALCULATED THAT THE AVERAGE HEALTHY PERSON SHARES THEIR BODY WITH MORE THAN 10-THOUSAND SPECIES OF MICROBES. SCIENTISTS HOPE THAT THE STUDY WILL IMPROVE DOCTORS' ABILITY TO DIAGNOSE AND PREVENT DISEASES IN THE FUTURE. THE GOOD NEWS -- MANY OF THESE MICROBES WE CARRY ACTUALLY WORK TO KEEP US HEALTHY.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** THE BAY AREA IS BRACING FOR AN OUTBREAK OF THE WEST NILE VIRUS THIS SUMMER. PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERTS SAY THE EXPECTED BOOM ... IS DUE TO THE COMBINATION OF AN UNUSUALLY WARM WINTER .... AND A NEW FEDERAL REGULATION .... THAT IS HAMPERING EFFORTS TO CONTROL THE VIRUS-SPREADING MOSQUITO POPULATION. STATE VECTOR CONTROL AGENCIES ..... SAY THEY HAVE SEEN EIGHT TIMES AS MANY CASES OF WEST NILE VIRUS IN DEAD BIRDS AND NEARLY 20 TIMES AS MANY CASES OF THE VIRUS IN MOSQUITOES...COMPARED TO LAST YEAR. WEST NILE HAS BEEN DETECTED IN 15 CALIFORNIA COUNTIES, INCLUDING CONTRA COSTA, SOLANO AND SANTA CLARA.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** CPK -- SHUT DOWN -- FOR NOW. THE POPULAR CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN -- HAS BEEN ORDERED TO CLOSE -- BECAUSE OF NOROVIRUS CONCERNS. HOWEVER -- THE RESTAURANT COULD BE RE-OPENED BY SUNDAY. THE CONTRA COSTA HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHUT DOWN THE CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN IN WALNUT CREEK AFTER A NOROVIRUS OUTBREAK SICKEDEN ABOUT 20 PEOPLE. HEALTH OFFICIALS SAY THEY TRACED AN OUTBREAK TO THE RESTAURANT AFTER GETTING SEVERAL COMPLAINTS FROM CUSTOMERS. OFFICIALS TESTED EMPLOYEES AND FOUND SOME DID HAVE THE VIRUS. A REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE CHAIN SAID THE COMPANY IS QUOTE "COOPERATING FULLY WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT."

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION IS WARNING PEOPLE ..... TO AVOID SHELLFISH IMPORTED FROM SOUTH KOREA. THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AFTER THE F-D-A DETERMINED THAT THE SANITATION PRORAM FOR SHELLFISH IN KOREA ... NO LONGER MEETS F-D-A REGULATIONS. THE DECISION TO REMOVE THE SHELLFISH .... CAME AFTER SEVERAL OUTBREAKS OF NOROVIRUS IN THE NORTHWESTERN PART OF THE U-S ... LATE LAST YEAR.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/28/12 REPORTED...** TODAY -- THE BIG DECISION. BUT TONIGHT -- THE QUESTIONS. WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN -- AND WHEN? THE SUPREME COURT UPHELD THE HEALTH CARE LAW, INCLUDING THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL PART -- THAT WILL REQUIRE NEARLY EVERY AMERICAN TO BUY INSURANCE. HOSPITALS WILL ALSO BE IMPACTED -- IN A BIG WAY.

## **NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS/SAFETY & SECURITY**

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** TENSIONS ARE ESCALATING IN SYRIA TONIGHT -- AFTER UNARMED U-N MONITORS SAY THEY WERE SHOT AT WHILE TRYING TO INVESTIGATE REPORTS OF ANOTHER MASSACRE. SYRIAN OPPOSITION ACTIVISTS SAY GOVERNMENT FORCES KILLED NEARLY 80 PEOPLE, MANY OF THEM WOMEN AND CHILDREN.... AT A FARMING VILLAGE IN THE HAMA PROVINCE YESTERDAY. BUT THE GOVERNMENT DENYS ANY RESPONSIBILITY. ALL OF THIS -- COMING AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF CONTINUED INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO TRY AND STOP VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRY. U-S SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON MET WITH EUROPEAN AND ARAB ALLIES IN TURKEY TODAY... SHE SAYS SYRIA'S EMBATTLED PRESIDENT HAS TO GO AND INTERNATIONAL ENVOY KOFI ANNAN -- AGREES, SAYING THE KILLING MUST END. THERE'S STILL NO SIGN THAT PRESIDENT BASHAR AL-ASSAD IS WILLING TO STEP DOWN. REPORTS OF YESTERDAY'S MASSACRE COMES JUST WEEKS AFTER MORE THAN 100 PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN THE VILLIAGE OF HOULA. MANY OF THEM WERE WOMEN AND CHILDREN AS WELL.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/7/12 REPORTED...** A RECENT CONTROVERSY ABOUT T-S-A SCREENERS WAS THE TOPIC OF A CONGRESSIONAL HEARING TODAY. THIS IS FOLLOWING A SCANDAL AT THE AIRPORT IN FORT MYER'S FLORIDA. AN INVESTIGATION REVEALED OFFICERS HAD FAILED TO CONDUCT RANDOM SCREENINGS. SOME LAW MAKERS SAY THE AGENCY SHOULD BE DOWNSIZED, AND PAT DOWNS REDUCED - BUT THERE IS DEBATE OVER WHETHER THIS WOULD DECREASE SECURITY. TSA OFFICIALS SAY THEY SCREEN NEARLY 2-MILLION PEOPLE A DAY - MOST WITHOUT COMPLAINT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/13/12 REPORTED...** COULD BE A ROUGH NIGHT FOR BIG INVESTORS THIS AFTERNOON, THE DEBT RATING OF SPAIN WAS DOWNGRADED TO NEAR "JUNK" STATUS IN DOING SO, CREDIT AGENCIES CITED SPAIN'S WEAK ECONOMY .. EUROPEAN DEBT CONCERNS HAVE PLAGUED OUR STOCK MARKET FOR MONTHS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/14/12 REPORTED...** THE U-S STATE DEPARTMENT IS ISSUING AN URGENT TRAVEL WARNING TO MEXICO, AFTER THE ARREST OF HIGH-RANKING MEMBERS OF THE ZETAS DRUG CARTEL. THE WARNING URGES AMERICANS IN MEXICO TO BE AWARE OF POSSIBLE VIOLENT RETALIATION. THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS U-S CITIZENS BE ON-GUARD AT ALL TIMES AND MAINTAIN A LOW PROFILE. THE ALERT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONS THE STATE OF "TAMAULIPAS", WHICH IS JUST OFF THE SOUTHERN TIP OF TEXAS

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/15/12 REPORTED...** WE'RE ALSO FOLLOWING A DEVELOPING STORY IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY...A GAS LEAK AT A REFINERY IN RODEO -- WHICH BEGAN THIS MORNING. HAZ-MAT OFFICIALS ARE CONCERNED NOT ONLY FOR AIR QULAITY -- BUT IT COULD ALSO SLOW TONIGHT'S COMMUTE ALONG I-80. COUNTY HEALTH WORKERS SAY A GAS TANK RUPTURED AT ABOUT SEVEN A-M AT THE CONOCO-PHILLIPS REFINERY ON SAN PABLO AVENUE. THERE ARE SOME REPORTS THE LEVELS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE HAVE SICKENED A FEW PEOPLE. THE GAS CAN CAUSE NAUSEA AND DIZZINESS AT LOW LEVELS.BUT HAZ-MAT CREWS SAY THERE'S NO CAUSE FOR ALARM. COUNTY HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE TELLING PEOPLE WITH ASTHMAS OR WITH RESPIRATORY SENSITIVITY TO AVOID THE AREA.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/22/12 REPORTED...** PRESIDENT OBAMA WAS APPLAUDED BY LATINO LAWMAKERS TODAY AS HE DEFENDED HIS DECISION TO HALT THE PRACTICE OF DEPORTING MANY YOUNG, ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS. THE PRESIDENT ADDRESSED THE "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LATINO ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS" IN FLORIDA THIS MORNING. IT'S THE SAME GROUP MITT ROMNEY ADDRESSED YESTERDAY. MR. OBAMA TOLD THE CROWD THAT HIS FISCAL AND HEALTH REFORM PROGRAMS HAVE HELPED HISPANIC AMERICANS. BUT IT WAS HIS CALL FOR CONGRESS TO JOIN HIM IN APPROVING COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM... THAT DREW THE BIGGEST RESPONSE FROM THE CROWD..YESTERDAY,

PRESUMED REPUBLICAN NOMINEE MITT ROMNEY CRITICIZED THE PRESIDENT FOR NOT PASSING AN IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL WHEN HE HAD DEMOCRATIC MAJORITIES IN CONGRESS.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/28/12 REPORTED...** MEANWHILE, TURKEY IS BEEFING-UP ITS MILITARY PRESENCE AT THE BORDER WITH SYRIA ... AFTER THE COUNTRY SHOT-DOWN ONE OF ITS MILITARY JETS LAST WEEK. SYRIA CLAIMS THE PLANE FLEW INTO ITS AIRSPACE. IN RESPONSE, TURKEY HAS WARNED SYRIA .. TO KEEP ITS TROOPS \*AWAY\* FROM THE BORDER \*OR\* RISK AN ARMED ATTACK.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** EGYPT'S NEW PRESIDENT ELECT HAD A BOLD STATEMENT TODAY FOR THE MILITARY GENERALS TRYING TO LIMIT HIS POWER. MOHAMMED MORSI ADDRESSED THOUSANDS OF SUPPORTERS IN CAIRO'S TAHRIR [[tuh-REAR]] SQUARE. DURING HIS SPEECH, HE TOOK AN INFORMAL OATH OF OFFICE IN DEFIANCE OF EGYPT'S CURRENT MILITARY RULERS. HE VOWED THAT THE "POWER OF THE PEOPLE" IS THE ULTIMATE LAW....AND STATED THAT NO ONE CAN TAKE AWAY THE PRESIDENT'S AUTHORITIES. MANY BELIEVE THE MILITARY IS STILL IN CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY. MORSI'S OFFICIAL SWEARING-IN IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE TOMORROW IN FRONT OF A HIGH COURT.

**NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 6/29/12 REPORTED...** ARCHAEOLOGISTS IN GUATEMALA SAY THEY'VE FOUND ANOTHER REFERENCE TO THE END DATE ON THE MAYAN CALENDAR.THE NEWLY UNCOVERED 13-HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD PANELS ARE THE SECOND KNOWN REFERENCE TO THE END OF THE MAYAN CALENDAR. THE MAYAN CALENDAR BEGINS BEFORE THREE-THOUSAND B-C AND RUNS IN ROUGHLY 394 YEAR PERIODS CALLED BAKTUNS. (bahk TOONS) THE MAYANS HELD THE NUMBER 13 SACRED, AND THE 13TH BAKTUN ENDS ON DECEMBER 21, 2012. A MAYAN SCHOLAR AND PROFESSOR OF MESOAMERICAN ART FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN DESCRIBED HIS AMAZEMENT AT THE DISCOVERY.

###